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Hill fort housing 'would aid tourism'

HOUSING built near to the Old Oswestry Hill Fort could help bring more tourists to see the ancient monument, Shropshire Council has said.

The council said yesterday (Wednesday) that it had been working closely with English Heritage and the promoter of housing sites to assess the potential impacts of further housing on the hill fort.

These discussions had resulted in a significant reduction in the scale of development near the hill fort, from that illustrated in the previous SAMDev consultation last year.

An updated 'Heritage Impact Assessment' with the revised proposals assesses the impact of these on the setting of the hill fort.

An internet petition has been launched to try to stop the housing being built.

Mal Price, Shropshire Council Cabinet member with responsibility for planning, said: "The proposed housing development would also provide a new access to the hill fort from the Gobowen Road, together with car parking and an interpretation point, consistent with the objectives of the new 'Oswestry 2020 Town Plan'.

"Having taken into account the objections to the original plan in this area of Oswestry, we have scaled-down the proposed building work in this area."

Offa's Dyke is damaged

DAMAGE to an ancient landmark on the Shropshire/Welsh border could have been worse, if not for the swift intervention of the Offa's Dyke Association.

Police and the Welsh heritage body, Cadw, are investigating the bulldozing of part of the Offa's Dyke earthwork on land off the A5 north of Chirk. The eighth century border that separated Mercia from England is a protected monument.

Jim Saunders, from the Offa's Dyke Association, said it was one of their members who raised the alarm.



Town campaign steps up a gear

THE *Chronicle's* "Keeping Oswestry Alive" campaign stepped up a gear this week with another leading town business giving their backing.

The Wynnstay Hotel weighed in with another major contribution and also agreed to have a defibrillator

based at the hotel's Coach House Fitness & Beauty Suite.

This news follows last week's launch and the announcement that Woodhead Estates and The Principality Building Society were funding the siting of a unit at their Legg Street premises to add to one to be based at

The *Chronicle* offices in Salop Road. The campaign has been launched in association with the British Heart Foundation (BHF) and the West Midlands Ambulance Service with the aim of setting up a network of life-saving defibrillators located in strategic areas across Oswestry.

This will provide rapid treatment

for those suffering cardiac arrests. Buying and siting defibrillators will cost in excess of £1,000 per unit but thanks to the *Chronicle's* partnerships with the Heart Foundation and the Ambulance Service these costs will be reduced.

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MP's call to keep services at the RSH

IT is vital that stroke services are retained at the Royal Shrewsbury Hospital and not moved permanently to Telford, a Mid Wales MP has claimed.

Glyn Davies, Montgomeryshire MP said the interests of patients over the border in Mid Wales need to be looked after and said he would do all he can to ensure a proper service was kept at the RSH.

He said he wants Welsh views taken on board when all major decisions over the health service.

Until recently stroke services in Shropshire have been located at both major hospitals at Shrewsbury and Telford, but as a result of staffing issues at the Royal Shrewsbury Hospital, stroke services are now concentrated at the Princess Royal in Telford, Mr Davies said.

Last week Shropshire's Healthcare Trust said at a Joint Health Scrutiny Meeting in Telford that there was the possibility of stroke services being delivered from only one site and this would probably be the Princess Royal Hospital in Telford.

Mr Davies said: "The interests of Montgomeryshire must be properly considered when NHS services in Shropshire are re-organised. We pay the same taxes as everyone else and when we are hurt we bleed like everyone else. The people of Montgomeryshire deserve the same consideration as everyone else."

Road jams at barrier

A LEVEL crossing barrier which stuck causing long tailbacks has been repaired.

Motorists and pedestrians in Whittington, near Oswestry, were held up after the barrier failed in the down position shortly before 7.30am on Tuesday.

A spokesman for Network Rail said: "British Transport Police were on site at 7.50am to divert traffic."

"A team was sent out to fix the problem."

VICTORY AT LAST IN FIGHT FOR CROSSING

by Sue Austin

A VILLAGE near Oswestry finally has its pelican crossing after three years of campaigning and five months of it being installed and not working.

More than 10,000 vehicles travel through Pant every day, using the A483 trunk road. The road is the main arterial link from north to South Wales.

Residents have campaigned for decades for a bypass for both Pant and neighbouring Llanymynech but despite it being put in the roads budget more than once, finances have always prevented the new road being built.



The pedestrian crossing at Pant.

About three years ago the parish council mounted a campaign for short-term safety measure on the road in the village until a bypass could be constructed.

This week saw one of those measures finally switched on.

Councillor Dilys Gaskill from the parish council said she had been delighted to drive through the village on Tuesday and see the lights in action.

Exasperating

"The bags have been taken off the lights, the electric has been wired up and everything now seems to be working." However she said it had been an exasperating wait.

"We finally got the crossing installed in March and were thrilled. We waited and waited and nothing happened. When we contacted the Highways Agency it was explained that although the crossing was in, we then had to wait for the telecommunications system that works the lights to be wired up."

"We began to wonder whether they would ever be turned on."

Councillor Gaskill said she was pleased that the crossing would be in use before the Bank Holiday traffic, which will see thousands more vehicles pour through the village and into Wales and the coast on Friday and Saturday before returning on Monday.

Paterson's pledge on energy report

A GOVERNMENT report into the impact of wind farms and renewable energy on the countryside will be published, Environment Secretary Owen Paterson has pledged.

Mr Paterson, MP for North Shropshire, said work is ongoing on the study. But he said he did not wish to comment on reports claiming Energy Secretary Ed Davey is attempting to block its publication over fears it could include negative conclusions about renewable energy.

It is claimed it could provide confirmation that turbines could harm rural areas.

The scarecrows have landed!



Llanfechain Show secretary June Row, with a scarecrow made by Charlie Oakley. Picture: Peter Flemmich.

A HORDE of scarecrows of varying shapes and sizes have invaded the village of Llanfechain.

The stuffed figures have taken up resi-

dence ahead of the village's show which will be taking place on bank holiday Monday.

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Veterans on the team sheet for club's anniversary

MORE than 100 veteran football players have put their name back on the team sheet to celebrate the anniversary of their club – just one year after it almost folded.

Former players of Dudleston Heath FC, some of whom are in their 70s, are set to travel across the country to unite for one last match in green and white on Sunday.

The veterans are coming together to mark the club's 30th year in the North

Shropshire Sunday League and to celebrate still being in existence after almost closing back in May.

Club founder Russell Williams will travel from Lincoln for the day which will include a kids fun run, evening quiz and hog roast.

Club Secretary Stephen Humphreys said: "Our football team is now 30 years old and we wanted to do something to mark the occasion. When the club first formed the

late John Pearce began keeping a record of every player – how many times he played and how many goals he scored. We kept that record going and managed to track down around 230 of our 300 former players.

"More than 100 have now said they will dust down their boots and play in a veteran's game and we plan to make a day of it. There is going to be a family fun day with loads of events for youngsters." Mr

Humphreys said the club came close to closing when the North Shropshire Sunday League almost folded.

He said: "We went into the last game of the season believing it could be the final game." He added club founder Russell Williams will be the guest of honour.

Families are invited to get to Criftnis playing fields, in Chestnut Avenue, Dudleston Heath, near Ellesmere, from 2.15pm.

Van driver misses collision with 70mph train by seconds

A MOTORIST narrowly escaped a 70mph collision with a train after driving on to a railway line near Welshpool without checking it was safe.

Mattress salesman George Calladine was on his way to visit a customer in Buttington, near Welshpool, when he drove onto Smith's Lower Cefn crossing in the village and stopped.

An Arriva Trains Wales train came around the corner and Calladine sped off with only seconds to spare as the train driver hit the emergency brakes and braced himself for a collision.

Calladine, 40, of Sandhill Sconce, Tolney Lane, Newark, Nottinghamshire, was fined £1,000 when he appeared at Welshpool Magistrates Court on Tuesday after admitting a charge of endangering a railway.

Mr David Peate, chairman of the magistrates, told Calladine he had done a "very, very, very stupid thing" and also ordered him to pay £85 costs and a £100 victim surcharge.

Mr Peate said: "You have a wife and children and they could have been left without a breadwinner. Think of the poor driver too – the effect on him must have been considerable.

"As for the people in the carriages, the driver slamming on the brakes would have caused distress to them, they would have been scared.

"It is important that everyone realises how serious this was. Thank goodness you got out of the way and there was no injury, no collision and no damage. But this was a very serious offence."

Mr Justin Espie, prosecuting, said the incident happened at about 6pm on March 27 at a crossing on a tight bend just outside Welshpool.

He said: "The train driver said he was coming around a sharp bend at Buttington at 70mph when he saw a

silver Mercedes van stationary on the line 200 yards head.

"He slammed on the emergency breaks but knew there was no chance of stopping in time and he prepared himself for a collision. At the last moment, the driver of the van accelerated and avoided the collision by two seconds."

Mr Espie said the crossing was unmanned and people wanting to cross have to pick up the phone on the crossing and check with a rail officer on the line whether it is safe to cross.

He said Calladine had not done this and instead had attempted to cross without warning. He added: "He was arrested and asked about the incident and said he did not see the signs warning him to call or the telephone itself."

Mr Paul Inns, for Calladine, said his client should have paid more attention to the crossing.

He said: "He has entered an early guilty plea and been fully co-operative with police. He should have been looking at the crossing for safety measures but he had never encountered a crossing like it before."

"Thankfully there was no collision and no injury caused to any person. It was a neglectful act, not something that was wilfully dangerous."

Pottery specialist presents plate to Paul



Catherine Meade of Honey Pots meets Paul Hollywood.

WHEN heartthrob TV chef Paul Hollywood bakes his next delicious cake, he may well be serving it up on a plate made in Shropshire.

For when Hollywood made an appearance at Shrewsbury Flower Show he was presented with his own personalised plate made in the Honey Pots studio on Oswestry.

The pottery specialist had a stand at the show and, when co-owner Catherine Meade heard that the Great British Bake Off star would be there, she decided to make him some crockery. She said: "I've always enjoyed baking and I really love the

show, so when I heard that Paul Hollywood was going to be at Shrewsbury, I couldn't resist painting a one off design to be presented to him.

"Paul Hollywood was extremely charming and I think he was taken aback when I said that we wanted to present him with a gift. When he saw the plate he seemed genuinely delighted with it, saying he would have to make room for it in his kitchen."

Producing personalised painted plates is a big part of the Honey Pots' business run by Catherine and twin sister Sarah.

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Viaduct work set to cause delays

RAIL passengers in Shropshire are facing more than a week of disruption due to "essential" work on a viaduct.

Trains between Shrewsbury and Wrexham General will be diverted via Chester and Crewe while improvements are carried out to Cefn Mawr viaduct near Chirk.

Replacement bus services will run between Shrewsbury and Wrexham calling at stations in Gobowen, Chirk and Ruabon.

The work by Network Rail contractors will start on Saturday and last for eight days.

The changes will affect Arriva Trains Wales services between Holyhead and Shrewsbury, and hourly shuttle trains will run between Wrexham and Chester while the work is carried out.

Officials at Arriva Trains Wales said the work would cause "unavoidable" disruption and urged passengers to allow extra time.

Lynne Milligan, customer services director at Arriva Trains Wales, said the work would speed up journey times in the long run.

She said: "We are asking customers to check their journey details in advance and to allow extra time for their journeys."

"Posters have been displayed at selected stations with full details about the changes to our services."

"We apologise in advance for any inconvenience that may result from these unavoidable changes."

"The works form part of a larger scheme which will lead to shorter journey times between north and south Wales in the future."

The changes will also disrupt services in Cardiff, Holyhead and Llandudno.

Visit www.arrivatrains.wales.co.uk or telephone National Rail Enquiries on 08457 484950 for details.

Hotel bosses to back campaign by funding a new defibrillator

BOSSSES at Oswestry's Wynnstay Hotel this week backed the Chronicle's "Keeping Oswestry Alive" campaign.

The hotel announced it would be helping to fund a life-saving defibrillator to be based in their fitness and leisure suite.

The campaign was launched last week, with Woodhead Estates and The Principality Building Society announcing they would fund a defibrillator in their Legg Street offices and now The Wynnstay is on board too.

"We are pleased to be associated with this campaign," said hotel manager Sebastian Siddi. "There is a real need for defibrillators in Oswestry and we have already got nine staff qualified to use the equipment which will not only be available for the leisure centre and hotel but also for the general public."

In association with the British Heart Foundation (BHF) and the West Midlands Ambulance Service the *Oswestry & Border Chronicle* is appealing for help from readers and advertisers.

The target is to set up a network of life-saving defibrillators located in strategic areas across Oswestry, aimed at providing rapid treatment for those suffering cardiac arrests.

Chronicle associate editor Graham Breeze said: "With the closure of the town's ambulance station and greater demands on the ambulance service and first responders it is really important to provide as much support as possible."

"Treatment within the first few minutes is so vital for cardiac arrest sufferers and we aim to make the people of Oswestry aware of where every defibrillator can be found and help ensure that the training is provided."

"The people of Oswestry have taken the *Chronicle* to their hearts since we launched back in March 2011 and with the support of our readers and advertisers we want to give something back to the town."

Midland News Association, owners of *The Chronicle*, are backing the "Keeping Oswestry Alive" scheme and staff will be raising funds as well.

Cardiac arrests and heart attacks affect an estimated 111,000 people each year in England alone. Over 75,000 people die each year in the UK from sudden cardiac arrest but with rapid treatment from a defibrillator, around 85 per cent could be saved.

Community Paramedic Officer for Shropshire Terry Foster, of West Midlands Ambulance Service, said: "Bystander CPR is incredibly important because having people on hand who know what to do is crucial."

Warren Appleby, Shropshire's Fundraising Volunteer Manager for the BHF, backed the launch of the appeal.

"This is a very positive scheme and the British Heart Foundation is pleased to be associated with *The Chronicle* and the West Midlands Ambulance Service," he said.

by Graham Breeze

Walk your way back to being fit

PREPARATIONS are under way for this year's Oswestry Walking Festival after a successful inaugural event last year.

The festival has been organised as part of the Walkers are Welcome initiative, and will take place on September 13 to 15.

Organisers have planned nine walks taking in the landscape, history and heritage of Oswestry and the Welsh Marches.

The first day will see groups take a ramble on Llyncllys Common with David Hardwick from Shropshire Wildlife Trust, and head up to Old Oswestry Hillfort with Liz Evans, from Walking for Health.

On the Saturday there will be trips to Llanrhaeadr, Oswestry Racecourse, Oswald's Well, and along the Llangollen Canal to the Pontcysyllte aqueduct.

And on the Sunday there will be walks based from Oswestry town centre, including two full-day excursions with the opportunity to stop for a picnic lunch.

There is a charge of £2 for the short walks, and £3 for the longer walks and those including a bus journey to the start point. All walks must be booked and paid for in advance with cheques made payable to Oswestry Walkers are Welcome.

Most of the walks will start from the Cambrian Railway Station in Oswald Road, Oswestry. Dogs cannot be accepted.

For more information on the programme pick up a leaflet at Oswestry library or tourist information points, or visit oswestrywalkers.co.uk



At the Wynnstay Hotel in Oswestry are, from left, leisure club manager Phil Parry, manager Sebastian Siddi and *Chronicle* associate editor Graham Breeze.



The *Chronicle*'s Sue Austin and Marcus Evans get in training for the Lake Vyrnwy half marathon.

Pair to aid cause with charity run

CHIEF reporter Sue Austin and advertisement executive Marcus Evans will be running the Lake Vyrnwy Half Marathon in aid of our "Keeping Oswestry Alive" campaign.

The event takes place on September 15 and the pair are already in training for the run.

Sponsorship forms will be available from the *Chronicle* office at 14 Salop Road.

Ecologist advises on site's wildlife

MASSIVE plans to redevelop Oswestry's livestock market should be carried out in an environmentally-friendly way, with bat boxes and a new pond for newts, the county's ecologist has recommended.

The site is set to be given over to a Morrison's supermarket, a cinema, and Frankie & Benny's and McDonald's restaurants.

But first Dr Sue Swales, Shropshire Council's ecologist, has made recommendations for the redevelopment of the Shrewsbury Road site.

She is calling for a new pond to replace one which will be filled in during the redevelopment, provision of bat roosting areas and for no demolition work to be carried out in bird nesting or bat hibernation periods.

Ecological surveys found smooth newts and common frogs living in one of the two ponds on the site.

Although no great crested newts were found, the ecologists said the pond was a potential habitat for the creatures, which are a protected species.

But as the pond is earmarked to be filled in, Dr Swales has recommended a condition be attached to any planning permission for a replacement wildlife pond to be created as soon as possible after work starts.

This would allow plants and animals to move over to the new pond and prevent the loss of habitat.

The ecologists have also recommended bat boxes are put up around the site after small numbers of brown long-eared bat droppings were found.

Dr Swales said: "The developer has agreed to incorporate several measures that would enhance the value of the site for bats. These include installing several bat boxes on mature trees or within the walls of new buildings and a purpose-built, night roost."

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Back, from left, British Ironworks managing director, Clive Knowles, and Joanne Jones, from the British Ironworks Centre. Front, from left, Lynsey Kilvert, from Hope House, and floral chairman of the Shrewsbury Flower Show, Briony Cooper. Picture Peter Flemmich.

Business has boosted hospice funds

FUNDS at a children's hospice have been boosted by £500 thanks to a link-up with a county business.

The cash was handed over to Hope House Children's Hospice at Morda near Oswestry by bosses at the British Ironwork Centre who have organised various fundraising events for this organisation.

Among the fundraising initiatives by the firm, which is based at Aston near Oswestry, was the sale of metal flowers and sculptures at Shrewsbury Flower Show where the company had a Hope House Garden.

The garden has been especially designed and can nor-

mally be found at the firm's base but it was taken to the flower show this year.

Proceeds from the sale of items placed in the garden have been passed on to Hope House Children's Hospice.

A similar Severn Hospice garden was also taken to the flower show and sale of items from that also raised £500.

The funding has also been handed over to Severn Hospice bosses.

Joanne Jones from the British Ironwork Centre said: "The sale of some of our metal flowers and other items went really well at the Shrewsbury Flower Show and helped us

increase how much we were able to hand over to the hospice. People have been very generous in giving money from the Hope Garden."

All the proceeds from the garden will be entirely donated to the hospice.

Managing director Clive Knowles said: "It was wonderful to be included within the Shrewsbury Flower Show."

"If we are privileged to be invited to take part next year we vow to at least double the funds raised. It's a privilege to support the hospice and we hope to increase our efforts during the course of the year, with further initiatives."

Grounds of ex-tax office to become affordable homes

THE grounds of Oswestry's former tax office will be turned into a new development of 14 affordable homes after controversial plans were approved by Shropshire Council.

Plans for the use of the land at Plas Ffynnon, 12-14 Middleton Road, received 25 objections from local residents and from Oswestry Town Council.

But the scheme has today been approved, paving the way for the gardens

by Pam Griffin

of the former tax office to be turned into an estate of affordable accommodation.

The tax office was reduced from a fully staffed centre to a skeleton staff in 2007, and finally closed earlier this year.

A statement released by Shropshire Council's planning department said the scheme "represents an appropriate use of land" and "provides an opportunity to create much needed affordable housing in a sustainable location that is within a short walking distance of shops, service and other facilities."

The homes will include some bungalows and some houses, with a mixture of two and three bedrooms. They will be developed and managed by Wrekin Housing Trust.

A spokesman for Shropshire Council's affordable housing said: "The scheme will help to address the pressing need for affordable housing in the Oswestry area."

"There is affordable housing need, and corresponding strong demand, for bungalow accommodation within Oswestry."

"Shropshire HomePoint figures indicate that more than 100 of the households registered for affordable housing in the

town are aged over 55 years. Allocations will be made to people from the council's housing register waiting list seeking affordable rented accommodation in the town."

During the consultation period, a public meeting was held where some local residents raised concerns about traffic coming out of the site, which is just before a hump back bridge with limited visibility.

Oswestry Town Council had opposed the plans on road safety grounds, but Shropshire Council's highways department did not have any objections to the scheme.

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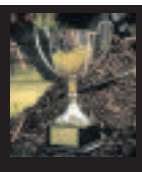


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Weekend of music to raise cash for under-threat venue

by Pam Griffin

A WEEKEND of live music is being organised to raise awareness and funds for the campaign to save a popular music venue in Oswestry.

The Save The Ironworks weekend will start at noon on Saturday and continue on Sunday.

Organiser Steve Gore, who runs the Ironworks in Church Street with his wife Roslynn, said the campaign has attracted a lot of support to date, with many local bands and artists offering to play during the weekend.

Film makers are sought for exhibition date

THE Willow Gallery in Oswestry is looking for film makers to contribute to an exhibition about our changing relationship with the natural world.

The gallery will be holding a natural selection-themed exhibition from September 9 to October 9 and plans to begin with a film screening on September 2 at 7pm.

A spokeswoman for the gallery said: "Selected films will be screened at a special film event FILM @ The Willow and throughout the Natural Selection exhibition on a show reel, as well as being promoted through the gallery's website."

To enter a film send a web link along with a brief synopsis and artist statement to willowgalleryoswestry@gmail.com

He said: "Our weekend of live music will have one of the best line-ups Shropshire will have seen in a very long time. Starting from midday on Saturday, the music will continue across the whole weekend in a bid to help us raise awareness of our Save The Ironworks campaign and invite people to help us keep The Ironworks alive by simply buying a brick."

"With acts such as Fight The Bear, Portlights, String The Marionette, Thin Vision, Mark Morgan, Ed Crowley, Craig Edwards, The Innocent, Moana, Tombstone Billy, Gregory S. Davies Band, Dai Robs and Tom Stedman all confirmed and with many more still to be announced, this will undoubtedly rank amongst the finest weekends of music The Ironworks has ever seen."

Alan Price, a member of Oswestry band Tombstone Billy, which will be playing during the weekend, said he hoped people would support the campaign.

The Save The Ironworks campaign was launched at the start of August after Mr Gore was told by his bank that the venue will be put up for auction on September 12 unless he can raise £140,000.

Jackson-J makes a splash



Sandra Evans, Jackson-J with his father, Kevin and Helen Hughes from the league of Friends.

JACKSON-J EVANS has amazed organisers of a sponsored swim by completing four lengths of the pool – aged just two.

The tough youngster was the youngest participant in the Oswestry Orthopaedic Hospital League of Friends' annual sponsored swim.

Having completed only a width beforehand Jackson-J, from Oswestry, set off with his dad Kevin and granddad Steve alongside him for encouragement.

And he kept going for four lengths of the 17-metre pool. His feat was rewarded by raising £130 for the League of Friends funds.

Helen Hughes, from the league, said: "The little boy is just two-and-a-half and to have swum four

lengths is a wonderful achievement. Jackson-J was our youngest swimmer and we had several senior citizens who swam for us as well as people of all ages in between. We are very grateful to each one of them," Mrs Hughes said.

The pool was built with the help of funding from the League of Friends to replace the hospital's original swimming baths.

The therapeutic swimming pool was opened in August 2005 following large amounts of fundraising by the League of Friends and staff.

The Make A Splash appeal was the League of Friends' largest project ever at the hospital. It was started by a generous legacy of £403,000 from the late Samuel Hughes Pennill of Whitchurch.

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*ON SELECTED ITEMS

NEWS**Clutch of awards for food producers**

FOOD business across Shropshire have been praised for the great products they offer at an annual industry awards.

Maynard's Farm Shop in Weston under Redcastle near Wem, Brock Hall Farm near Bridgnorth, Ludlow Food Centre, Battlefield 1403 in Shrewsbury, Belton Cheese in Whitchurch and The Jammy Cow in Telford were among the winners at this year's national Great Taste Awards.

In all county businesses collected 36 gold stars in the awards, which have been run by The Guild of Fine Food since 1994.

There were almost 10,000 entries this year with 405 judges tasting food over 50 separate days.

They travelled to Ireland, London and Dorset as part of the judging programme.

Brock Hall Farm in Chelmarsh was the only Shropshire business to win a coveted three star gold award for its Dutch Mistress rind-washed goats cheese. It is made with milk from their own goats and was one of only 125 products to be given the top prize.

Maynard's Farm Shop, run by Rob Cunningham, won gold on three of their pork products, dry cured smoked black treacle bacon, traditional dry cured bacon and sweet cured cooked ham.

McFly will draw crowd from far and wide for park event

McFly will headline at next month's T-Live. The band has sold more than 10 million records worldwide.

TELFORD & Wrekin Council has announced some new and exciting events that are coming to Telford.

McFly, who have sold more than 10 million records worldwide in their ten year career, are set to headline T-Live, an outdoor concert that will take place in Telford Town Park QE II Arena on September 7.

Special guests Stooshe, Loveable Rogues and Luminites will form part of the support. Stooshe have enjoyed recent chart success with their hits Love Me and Black Heart

while Loveable Rogues shot to fame in last year's Britain's Got Talent and have since played to audiences around the country.

There will also be a live set from Luminites, a talented foursome from London who recently shot to fame on Britain's Got Talent.

There will also be a chance to hear two local bands play.

MADISON and The Making have won their chance to perform at the event after winning Bandslam, a local Battle of The Bands style event.

T-Live is just one part of the council's new

summer festival T-Party, a double weekend of celebration which is expected to attract more than 20,000 people.

Workshops

T-Party will begin with Rain or Shine Theatre Company performing Shakespeare's A Comedy Of Errors on the evening of Friday, August 30, followed by a day of activities in the park on Saturday, August 31.

The line up includes the Shaun the Sheep Championsheeps, storytellers, poets, craft and art workshops, puppets performance and street artists, with markets selling local



TV star Nadia Sawalha is heading to Shropshire.

food and produce. On Saturday evening, in the festival marquee, you will find an 'Electro Swing Ball' – a non-stop performance of live bands, swinging DJs, beautiful burlesque, circus performers, professional dancers and cabaret.

Sunday will be more of a relaxed affair with a picnic in the park, with a cake decorating competition and fancy dress to be judged by celebrity guest Nadia Sawalha.

Tickets are available from Telford Ice Rink and Oakengates Theatre @ The Place, online at www.theplacetelford.com or by calling the box office on (01952) 382382.

Deadline looms for planning comments

TIME is running out for Shropshire residents to have their say on the second phase of consultation over the county-wide planning policy.

The current stage of consultation on the Site Allocations and Management of Development – known as SAMDev – will end tomorrow (Friday).

The second phase has given Shropshire people the chance to have their say on Shropshire Council's preferred options, which were drawn up after the first phase of consultation during 2012.

After tomorrow's deadline, the council will take into account all comments received, and prepare the final version of the SAMDev plan later this year, before consideration by a planning inspector in 2014.

Mal Price, Shropshire Council's cabinet member responsible for planning, said: "The current consultation will be of the utmost value in shaping the future of the county's development and we will be carefully consider all responses."

Shropshire Council has urged everyone that lives, works or visits Shropshire and has an interest in the developments to look at the plans and comment on them. All documents relating to SAMDev can be found at shropshire.gov.uk/samdev

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Council offers funding to improve town B&Bs

by Sue Austin

BED and breakfast businesses in the Oswestry area can bid for up to £5,000 to increase the number of bedrooms they have or improve facilities.

Putting in ensuite bathrooms, improving access and even installing wi-fi could qualify for funding from Shropshire Council's Market Towns Revitalisation Programme.

The aim is to help bring more people into the area to stay overnight, which in turn will help the economy in Oswestry.

Owners of bed and breakfast establishments will have to provide at least half of the funding for the work.

Keith Barrow, leader of Shropshire Council and councillor for Oswestry south, said that the grants were to help improvements to B&B accommodation and increase the number of bedrooms available.

"Owners of B&Bs can bid for support with projects such as creating additional bedrooms, making alterations to improve access and the installation of lifts, ensuite facilities, wi-fi or broadband," he said.

"We've already seen some of this fund go to good use so far and I hope to see even more B&Bs benefit from this scheme. Increasing the town's capacity to house overnight guests will boost the economy."

Councillor Steve Charmley, the cabinet member for business growth is leading the Market Towns Revitalisation Programme.

He said: "Up to 50 per cent grant is available, and the maximum grant initially available is £5,000."

Application forms can be collected from the Oswestry Town Council offices at the Guildhall, Oswestry. For details call Susan Coleman, Shropshire Council business support officer, on 01743 252597 or email susan.coleman@shropshire.gov.uk

Jessica's Oxford jaunt



Jessica Williams from Booka Bookshop in Oswestry.

THE manager of an independent Shropshire bookshop has spent a week picking up business hints and tips – at Oxford University.

Jessica Williams, 21, from Booka Bookshop, in Oswestry, won a place on a five-day retail scholarship through the Retail Trust.

She spent time exchanging ideas with staff from shopping giants such as Harvey Nichols, Liberty and Matalan.

Miss Williams said: "It was hard work but really worthwhile. There were about 90 people at the summer

school and I was the only one from a small independent – the rest were from large companies.

"I learned a lot from them but they were really interested to hear about our business, particularly about customer service because many of them dealt with accounts and numbers.

"I was delighted to get on the course. I had never been to university so it was great to have a taste.

"I would like to thank Carrie and Tim Morris from the bookshop for allowing me to attend."

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Stay smart online to beat bullies

by Mike Woods

THEY'RE the online tools that are meant to bring us together. But increasingly, social media websites are gathering a reputation as often cruel and dangerous places.

The vast majority of social media use is harmless. Accounts with Facebook and Twitter are seen as status symbols to many youngsters, with large lists of friends or followers seen as signs of popularity.

Social media allows long lost friends who would otherwise have lost contact, to keep in touch. It allows the sharing of information almost instantaneously.

But some users take advantage of the openness of social media to direct vile abuse at users, or at worse to groom youngsters. Children have been known to share personal information, such as mobile phone numbers or addresses, with complete strangers.

Some see the online world as completely separate to the real world, unaware that activity online can have real and sometimes dangerous consequences.

Here we take a look at four major social media sites and examine the risks users can face from each.

Facebook

The most popular social media website in the Western world, Facebook was a catalyst for the online social revolution. With more than a billion users, for many people it is the essential tool for keeping in touch with friends.

But it has been at the centre of numerous controversies. Groups have been set up specifically to bully or intimidate individuals. Intimate pictures that have been private have gone viral, leading to ruined reputations and worse. Although Facebook states users must be at least 13, the reality is that the rule is almost impossible to enforce.

Often bullying will take place very publicly on Facebook, with open groups set up dedicated to demeaning users. Conversation histories are often visible to other users, so warning



Worried about what you see online? It's important people protect themselves from the risks of social media abuse.



Caroline Criado-Perez received threats.

signs can be picked up on if one person appears to be the target of abuse. To stay safe on the site, Facebook recommends:

- Setting privacy controls to allow only your friends to see what you're up to
- Secure your passwords to stop anyone taking control of your account
- Block and report anyone who sends you



Carolina Picchio fell victim to online bullies.

unwanted or inappropriate messages. See facebook.com/safety

Twitter

A far simpler social network than Facebook, Twitter was created in March 2006. It allows users to compose and send 140-character updates which are then sent out publicly.



Suicide - Hannah Smith, 14.

People can "follow" other Twitter users to automatically see their updates, or search for topics to find updates from people they do not follow.

Celebrities, politicians and people from all walks of life use it to make announcements, comment on current affairs or update the world on what they are having for tea.

But it has hit the headlines in recent weeks after a number of women, including campaigner Caroline Criado-Perez, were targeted with threats to rape or kill.

Private messages, called direct messages on Twitter, can only be sent by people who follow one another. Twitter has come under pressure to make it easier for users to report abuse. Many famous followers have taken to publicly shaming their abusers, known as trolls, by "re-tweeting" abusive messages. It is a way of sharing the abuse with many thousands of people, who then out the abusers as "trolls".

Tools like Tweetdeck (www.tweetdeck.com) allow easier reporting of abuse than Twitter's own site. See support.twitter.com

Instagram

Famed for the way it can transform even the duller photo into a work of art, Instagram is hugely popular with mobile phone users who fancy themselves as budding photographers. Users can take images then select what type of "filter" to apply to them, giving them a retro or arty appearance.

Reports of abuse on Instagram, which has more than 100 million users, are few and far between. Most revolve around naked pictures being shared. See help.instagram.com

Ask.fm

Although relatively small compared to the giants that are Twitter and Facebook, Ask.fm has gathered a notorious reputation in recent weeks following the death of Hannah Smith, 14, from Leicestershire. The Latvian site, which is just three years old, works differently to other social networks in that users can invite questions from other users.

Hannah had used the site to seek advice following the return of her severe eczema. She was advised to "drink bleach" and kill herself by trolls on the website.

Ask.fm actually offers some of the clearest and most sensible advice to users.

It says: "Never share personal information like phone numbers, email addresses or home addresses on your page."

"If you receive a question that makes you uncomfortable for any reason, do not respond, tell a parent, guardian or other trusted adult and block the user who sent it. If the person keeps bothering you, report abuse."

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Place the link bus cuts blame correctly

I DON'T intend to sound the trumpet for the group with whom I am affiliated or, indeed, sound like the PR man for Shropshire Council, but I think it is important to apportion the blame for the demise of the Shropshire Link (as well as other rural services) firmly where it belongs.

Responsibility lies firmly in the hands of the Cameron administration.

All local authorities have seen grants cut, however the cuts made to the local authority budgets nationally reflect disproportionately upon rural counties.

The well-worn glib phrase "we're all in it together" should be succeeded with "so long as you don't need services".

Shropshire Council has said it is working with the Community Transport groups throughout our county and some of my colleagues have been party to those discussions.

Community Transport is undoubtedly the organisation best suited to run local services.

Your community bus is available for use by the whole community regardless of age, or social group.

The Shropshire groups will do their best not to leave people behind but please be aware they are not miracle workers.

Transport will be available but the quality of the service depends on how well CT is funded.

With the funding on the table CT cannot simply take over the Shropshire link.

With that sobering thought in mind I ask all concerned people to throw their weight behind their local Community Transport group.

Volunteer to help if possible. As important as funding is, the more volunteers CT has the better the services will be.

But also lobby your MP and your local councillor, because it's your friends and neighbours who will ultimately benefit from your intervention.

Don't forget, as 2015 approaches who put you in this situation in the first place.

KEITH I. WOOD
Whixall

Help is at hand with benefits

THE second phase of the national benefit cap roll-out has now begun, covering those areas which have the highest number of affected households.

We know that many families will be anxiously awaiting the start of this change and are understandably worried about the impact it will have on their lives. Recent statistics from the benefit cap pilot show that a staggering 97% of households affected have dependent children, and 74% are lone parents. With the Government esti-

imating that the cap will impact 40,000 households in total, it is the most vulnerable who could be hardest hit.

It is more important than ever that anyone affected can access financial support and advice now. We urge anyone who is worried about their situation to carry out a free and easy benefit check on our website - www.turn2us.org.uk. This will help them find out if they will be affected by the cap and whether they or someone in their household may be entitled to any ben-

efits which could exempt them from the cap. The website also features full information about the cap, and for people that need additional support, there is a tool to help them find an adviser in their local area.

With many people struggling to make ends meet, it is more important than ever that everyone accesses the support they may be entitled to.

KAREN HOLMES
Welfare Benefits Specialist
Turn2us



ONE of the many fascinating photographs from the Facebook internet site, Remember Oswestry, is this one of New Street in Oswestry taken in the 1960s complete with a canopy over half of the street. The shop on the left hand corner is still there as is the old Grapes pub, now Gibsons. Past The Grapes on the left is the old Kings cinema, later renamed the Century, which went on to become a bingo hall before it was converted into the Wilkinson store that is there today. The brick building on the right was Oswestry's indoor market.

It's time for Labour to control NHS

THIS country has a long and torrid history of privatisation. No flotation of any public utility has proved beneficial to the general public; the real gains have always been the providers and financial institutions and shareholders.

Private Health Care has raped and pillaged the NHS for years - it cherry-picks the profitable services that can be afforded by a small percentage of the population who have the ability to pay.

The NHS is collapsing before our very eyes, and the sheer political dogma of this Government is responsible.

It's time for Labour to forget their past mistakes and take charge of an NHS they created and invested in.

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Wrong thing to tell the truth, it seems

IT really makes me wonder what is becoming of our country.

A judge who is a highly paid and respected person is condemned for making a judgment our political brethren didn't want to hear and likewise, an MP makes a comment about our foreign aid to certain countries, which we can ill afford, being mis-spent.

It seems that what I, and many others, were taught as children - not to tell lies or, conversely, tell the truth - is the wrong thing to do in our stupidly over-regulated and ridiculous politically correct world.

K J GLOVER
Montgomery
Powys

Complaint on judging at the show

WE attended the Oswestry Agricultural Show and on the whole found it to be the best show for several years.

The only criticism I can make is on the quality of the car judging, the outcome of which seemed very unfair.

Some cars, restored to a very high standard, were given a cursory glance while others with rust and paint bubbles seemed to be considered potential winners.

The Cortina which won first prize has won on several occasions but, in my opinion and that of many of our friends (who are classic car owners) there were several more worthy of a prize.

No consideration seemed to be given to the extent of the restoration.

ANNE ROBERTS
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University experience could be an important part of your development, but it is always worth considering whether it is something you want to do, or are doing because you think it is the logical next step.

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DAVE EVANS,
ACCA West
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A: No, there is a prescribed set of procedures which must be followed to evict tenants from a residential property. You should instruct a solicitor to issue a formal notice to the tenants giving the specified notice period required and providing full details of the allegations made against them. If the tenants have failed to vacate by the date of expiry of the notice, Court proceedings may then be issued for possession of the property. The claim will be listed for hearing before a District Judge, and provided that certain criteria are met, the Judge will make an order for possession. The tenants will usually be given time to vacate the property. If they fail to do so within that time, then a Warrant for Possession must be obtained, after which a County Court Bailiff will attend at the property and the tenants will be forcibly removed from it. It is very important to observe the legal requirements for recovering possession, as failure to do so may result in prosecution for unlawful eviction and a claim for compensation against you. It is recommended that you consult a solicitor to guide you through this tricky process.

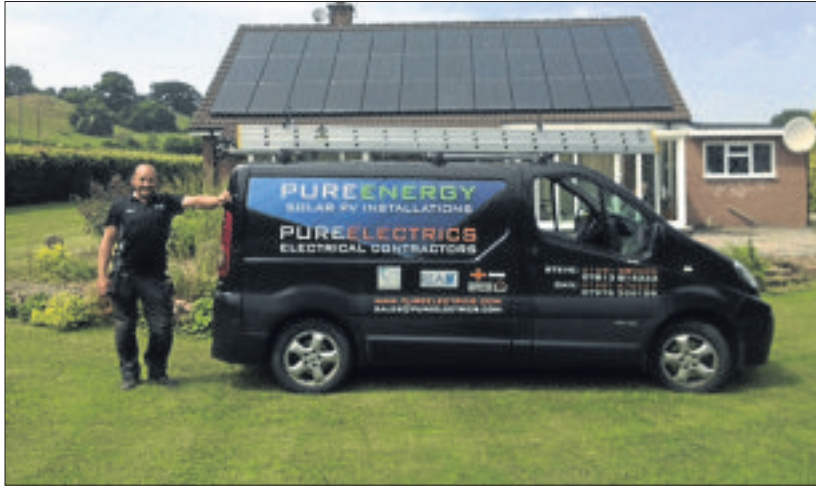
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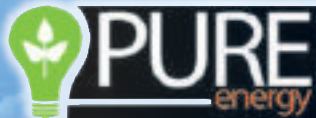
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Town pupils ace exams as A-levels getting tougher

STUDENTS in Oswestry have celebrated success in their A-levels – as results showed the exams are getting tougher.

Some schools across Shropshire saw 100 per cent pass rates and many students discovered they had achieved the top A* grade. But national figures showed last week the proportion of A-levels awarded at least an A grade fell for the second year in a row.

In total, 26.3 per cent of entries scored an A or A* this year, down from 26.6 per cent in 2012 – a drop of 0.3 per cent.

It is believed to be the second biggest fall in the history of A-levels and comes after the A*-A pass rate fell for the first time in more than 20 years last year. The latest drop comes amid rising numbers of teenagers taking A-levels in "traditional" subjects like science and maths. Education experts said an increased focus on those subjects would fuel a slight drop in results.

Despite the fall in top grades, a record number of students have been accepted on university courses.

Oswestry School sixth formers were reaping the rewards of their hard work with almost 59 per cent of passes being of A*, A or B grades. Most pupils met their expectations and several others surpassed them.

Headmaster, Douglas Robb said that he was, "delighted with the results and pleased that almost all leavers have met the grades set by their chosen university or college. It is extremely encouraging to see the sixth form, that has doubled in size in the last three years now achieving such strong results. This is a great testament to staff and pupils alike."

Moreton Hall commences its Centenary year celebrations with news of its highest marks ever at A-level.

"Amid government moves to create more rigorous A-level standards, it was believed that this year's top grades would inevitably drop", said Principal, Jonathan Forster. "So we are absolutely delighted to be able to report that our A-levels have exceeded expectation with 30 per cent of our grades at A* – the highest top marks we have ever recorded in the school's 100 year history."

The students achieved 100 per cent pass rate, with 62 per cent of grades at A* – A, 13 per cent of girls achieving 3 or more straight A's and 54 per cent of girls achieving A* and A grades. Ninety four per cent of all grades were at A*-C. **Walford and North Shropshire College**, which has campuses in Oswestry and Baschurch, celebrated a record-breaking 100 per cent pass rate, with nearly three quarters at the higher A* to C grades.

Andrew Tyley, college principal, said: "Not only have we improved on our excellent A-level pass rate this year, but we continue to see more students achieving higher grades. "The results are a tribute to the hard work of our students, the professionalism of our staff and the dedicated support of parents and guardians, all of whom can feel proud."

Officials at Shropshire Council said initial results pointed towards 2013 being another year of high achievement across the county.

Congratulate

Councillor Ann Hartley, cabinet member for children's services, said: "These results are the product of two years of hard work for our students."

"We appreciate how much they have to do to attain their results and would like to congratulate them all for their dedication and achievements."

Carl Mincher head at **Llanfyllin High School**, said: "We are once again celebrating excellent A level results in Llanfyllin."

"Our warmest congratulations go out to all our students who have done so well. We are particularly pleased that all 84 students passed all of their exams, 90 per cent of entries attained the top A*-C grades (or equivalent) this year with 67 per cent of grades at A*-B and 41 per cent at A*-A."

"There was also a 100 per cent success rate for students entered for the Welsh Baccalaureate, whilst vocational subjects also enjoyed great success, 84 per cent of grades being at Distinction* or Distinction."

He said that amongst the overall successes, there were several notable individual achievements: Two students gained 4 A* grades, whilst 10 per cent achieved A*-A grades across all their subjects.

"These top class results reflect the high expectation and aspirations of both staff and students and are a rich reward in themselves; we are delighted that so many of our students have reached their target grades and earned the reward of good university places including three places at Oxbridge, and some high quality apprenticeships."

"We are delighted to once again be able to celebrate the success of our 6th Form – we are very proud that our students achieve such outstanding results with such consistency."

"This is due to a combination of factors: the fact that we are able to offer the widest curriculum in the local authority in order to best meet students' needs; the enthusiasm and commitment of our students; the hard work and dedication of our staff; and of course the support and encouragement of parents."

Mr D Evans, head at the **Caereinion High School** said: "We are delighted with the excellent A level results gained by our students this year."

"All students achieved success at A level with a 99.3 per cent overall pass rate. The overall A*-B grades were 72.3 per cent and 89.9 per cent A*-C grades inclusive of the Welsh Baccalaureate."

"We are extremely proud of all our students who gained scholarships to various universities."

"All students were accepted for the courses of their choice, whilst others have secured employment and apprenticeships."

The results are a testimony to the hard work, dedication and commitment of our staff and diligent students and are a just reward for their efforts."

"We are also indebted to all our parents for their contin-



Moreton Hall students Stefanie Leigh-Ford (1 A* and 2 As) and Amelia Adams-Davies (3 A*s).

Fundraisers for support group

THE Oswestry Macmillan Cancer Support group will be holding several fundraising events during the next two months.

Volunteers will be collecting for the charity in the town's Sainsbury's store tomorrow (Friday) and Saturday, then the group will be hosting a coffee morning at the Wynnstay Hotel, Church Street, Oswestry, on September 27 from 10am until noon.

Admission will be £1.50 to include coffee and cake, and there will be a prize draw, tombola and charity stalls.

The group will also host a quiz night at The Pedigree, Shrewsbury Road, Oswestry, on October 16 at 7.30pm for 7.45pm. Entry is £10 for a team of up to four people. Food will be available during the evening.

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Cyclists are set to go up against steam power

CYCLISTS will be putting themselves against steam power next month with the third Welshpool Rotary Club Race The Train event takes place.

Hundreds of cyclists are expected to descend on the town for the event on September 15.

It is the latest event to put the mid Wales town on the national cycling map.

Club spokesman Ewen Macleod said: "Welshpool is rapidly becoming the cycling capital of Mid Wales. The Tour of Britain has visited the town on two occasions, we have the annual canal triathlon, and now funding is being made available for cycle routes."

"Welshpool Rotary Club's race The Train is another part of the cycling jigsaw, and next month will be the third time we have arranged the event. It will be bigger and better than the preceding two, which were both very successful. Money raised will go towards Rotary charities and good causes."

The race is open to anyone over the age of 14, and the aim is to beat the 11.15 Welshpool & Llanfair Light Railway steam train to Llanfair Caereinion. The route will use mainly quiet roads, over a distance of approximately nine miles.

"Any reasonably fit person should be able to complete the ride, though entrants need to be aware that the route includes several hilly sections. Helmets are recommended."

Mr Macleod said: "It is not a cycle race, the aim is to beat the train from Welshpool to Llanfair. Any type of bike can be used, and participants will range from serious club cyclists to leisure riders."

The event will be fully marshalled, with stewards directing riders at each

Busy showtime for Emily



Emily Woodall, from Welshpool, was pictured with some Wensleydale sheep at Minsterley Show last weekend. Picture: Ian Sheppard.

junction. A sweeper vehicle with trailer will pick up any riders with mechanical problems. On arrival at Llanfair each cyclist will be given a drink and a chocolate bar, along with a certificate.

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Family fun time at water event

A WEEKEND dedicated to water-based fun with the family will be held in Ellesmere from Friday until Monday.

It has been organised by the Natural England Meres and Mosses Landscape Partnership Scheme and will offer fishing in the Mere, build a raft, paddle a canoe and using nets to discover the creatures in the water.

There will also be indoor crafts and all activities are free.

For more information, visit the Ellesmere Boat-house or call the Meres and Mosses team on (01743) 284275.

Car boot sale to aid cause at shop

A CAR boot sale will be held in aid of charity at a supermarket in north Shropshire.

The car boot will be at Tesco in Ellesmere on bank holiday Monday, from 9am.

The sale will be in the store car park and each pitch costs £5.

Money raised will go to Diabetes UK.

To book a place people are asked to call (01939) 408807.

Motown magic

SOUL and Motown act The Commissars will perform on September 7 at Ellesmere Comrades Social Club. Doors open 7.30pm. Tickets £8.

Tragedy sparks mother's SADS fundraising campaign

WHEN Anne Wilson's daughter died in 1995 from an undiagnosed heart condition, she was determined that something good would come of it.

Sue Yost was just 28 when she died of Sudden Arrhythmic Death Syndrome – a genetic heart condition that can cause sudden death in young, apparently healthy people.

"Sue was serving in the army in Cyprus. She was very fit and did all sports, and she just died suddenly while she was doing lifesaving for children in the swimming pool," Anne, from Oswestry, said. "The army carries out a very intense investigation, but they couldn't find any cause."

"In 2009 I was watching television and I saw an interview with Anne Jolly, the co-founder of SADS UK, a charity that tries to raise awareness of SADS."

"It was just after the Boyzone singer Stephen Gately had died, and she was talking about SADS and that he had died because of his heart."

"She said her son had died at 16 in his sleep, and I thought Sue's death sounded very familiar to what Anne Jolly had gone through."

Backing

After listening to the interview, Anne, 73, decided to look into the work of SADS UK and began to raise funds for the charity.

She has also been backing their petition to make it obligatory for every secondary school to be equipped with an automated external defibrillator.

A defibrillator, or AED, is the only piece of equipment that will restore heart rhythm. It can restart the heart in an emergency situation and sustain life until the ambulance arrives.

But Anne also wanted to make more of a difference to local people, and in 2011 decided to start fundraising for an AED to be put into The Marches School in Oswestry – where Sue went to school in the early 1980s.

Anne said: "We raised funds with birthday parties, and we held a cream tea in

WOMEN OF SUBSTANCE

with Pam Griffin



Oswestry, which raised a large total. We raised enough to put a defibrillator at Marches last spring."

But despite reaching her target, Anne is still busy raising funds for the charity and working to provide more lifesaving equipment for schools in Oswestry.

"After last April, we held more cream teas and got donations from the town's two Rotary clubs. We've been able to put another defibrillator in the Marches' sports hall during this summer holiday so it'll be ready for when the new term starts," she said.

"We've had two very generous donations from the two Rotary clubs so now another defibrillator will be going to Walford & North Shropshire College in time for the new term."

"And Lakelands School in Ellesmere earlier this year raised their own funds to place a defibrillator in the school."

"It's getting more momentum in the area, and with the Chronicle's campaign



A lifesaving defibrillator is handed over to The Marches School head Sarah Longville donated by SADS UK by Anne Wilson and Margaret Clegg from the charity. In front are pupils James Duxbury and Charlotte Ozanne, with first aider Danny Ward, centre

now it's making people much more aware of the issue."

● SADS can be treated and deaths can be prevented. Warning signs of the disease include a family history of unexpected, unexplained sudden death under age 40;

fainting or seizure during exercise, excitement or startlement; consistent or unusual chest pain and/or shortness of breath during exercise. Anyone with these signs is advised to talk to their GP.

More details at www.sadsuk.org.uk

Lighting contract is won by town firm

OSWESTRY Town Council has awarded its new footway lighting contract to town company Highline Electrical.

It will last for three years with an option of a two-year extension.

Lights will no longer be checked on a weekly basis, and the company will rely on residents to contact the council if there are any problems.

During the period of the contract, the council hopes to convert all lights from the orange sodium fittings to LED lights that are cheaper and more economical to run.

Many lights will also be affected by Shropshire Council's plans to convert the majority of town lights to part night burning this year.

No change will be made to the lighting hours in the town centre, in CCTV areas or at busy junctions, but residential areas will have their lights turned off at midnight and these will then be turned on again at 5.30am.

Town mayor Chris Schofield said: "We are delighted that our maintenance contract has gone to a local company."

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Period farmhouse in three acres is ripe for a revamp

On sale with Parry Lowarch, Berghill House, in Babbinswood, near Ellesmere, is an attractive period farmhouse set in good-sized gardens with two paddocks totalling about three acres.

In need of some modernisation, the detached property benefits from oil-fired central heating and partial double glazing, and is on the market at a guide price of £395,000.

It has a porch, reception hall, dining room, sitting

room, farmhouse-style kitchen, back kitchen/utility, cloakroom, workshop/playroom, master bedroom with dressing room and ensuite, two further bedrooms, a bathroom, two attic rooms/bedrooms, driveway and ample forecourt parking.

The main area of the gardens consists of a shaped lawn divided in two by a central gravelled pathway with pergola.

A brick paved patio leads to a further concreted area to the side of the house which is also flanked by extensive lawns. The gardens have great potential for further landscaping.

There is scope, subject to consents, to construct a new private roadway across the large paddock, said a spokesman for the selling agent.

For details call Parry Lowarch on 01743 343343 or visit the website www.parrylowarch.co.uk



Three-bed cottage full of charm and character

Wddyn Cottage at Treflach, near Oswestry, is a superbly presented detached character cottage with off-road parking and a good-sized garden. On the market with Woodhead Estates for £279,950, it has a porch, entrance hall, living room, dining room, kitchen, utility, master bedroom ensuite, two further bedrooms and a family bathroom.

For further information contact Woodhead Estates on 01691 680044 or visit www.woodheadestates.com



Extended family home is beautifully presented

Number 20 Bentley Drive, Oswestry, is a well presented and extended four-bedroomed house on a modern development in a sought-after part of town.

The detached property is for sale through Town & Country at a guide price of £239,950.

It has an entrance hall, cloakroom, lounge, sitting room, large kitchen and dining room extension to the rear, utility, master bedroom (ensuite), three further bedrooms, bathroom, gardens, driveway and double garage.

For further information contact Town & Country on 01630 679631 or visit www.townandcountryoswestry.com



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**Wagoners Cottage, Pontfaen, Chirk****Price: £249,950****Contact Oswestry**

A two bedroom character cottage situated in the hamlet of Pont Faen with superb views to Chirk Castle and over the surrounding countryside.

- 2 Reception Rooms
- Stands In Over Half An Acre
- Garage & Workshop
- Extended By Current Vendors
- Viewing Recommended
- Current EPC Rating E

**Maes Y Parc, Chirk****Price: £98,000****Contact Oswestry**

A three bedroom mid terrace property situated in a popular residential location.

- 3 Bedroom
- 2 Receptions & Garden Room
- Oil Central Heating
- UPVC Double Glazing
- Gardens

**Palmtantmawr, Weston Rhyn****Price: £124,950****Contact Oswestry**

This three bedroom semi detached family home situated in a quiet cul de sac location within a popular village.

- 3 Bedroom
- Needs Some Updating
- Gas CH
- UPVC DG
- Gardens Front, Side & Rear
- Current EPC Rating E

**Wren Cottage, Coalpit Lane, Weston Rhyn****Price: £234,950****Contact Oswestry**

A three bedroom character property situated in a sought after hamlet location in close proximity to both Weston Rhyn and Selattyn

- 3 Bedroom
- 2 Receptions
- Garden
- Parking
- Oil Central Heating
- Countryside Views

**Greenways, Dovaston****Price: £185,000****Contact Oswestry**

A deceptively spacious two bedroom 1930's detached bungalow which has been extended to provide a most comfortable family home. The property is situated in a pleasant rural location down a quiet lane with countryside views.

- 2 Bed (Master & En-Suite)
- Oil Central Heating
- Double Glazing
- Detached Garage, Workshop & Parking
- Gardens
- Current EPC Rating F

**Breidden Court, Four Crosses****Price: £316,000****Contact Oswestry**

An executive detached four bedroom family bungalow situated down a quiet lane in the popular village of Four Crosses.

- 4 Bedroom (2 With En-Suite)
- 2 Reception Rooms
- Detached Double Garage & Parking
- Oil Central Heating
- Gardens To Front, Side & Rear
- Village Location

**Bay Tree Cottage, St Martins****Price: £215,000****Contact Oswestry**

This detached cottage is nestled way within this popular village of St Martins.

- 3 Bedroom Cottage
- 2 Reception Rooms
- Gas CH & Majority DG
- Generous Sized Gardens
- Parking & Sheds
- Current EPC Rating E

**2 Brydges Gate, Llandrinio****Price: £375,000****Contact Shrewsbury**

This immaculate executive detached family home offers spacious accommodation and is decorated at a high standard and fitted to a high specification.

- 4 Bedroom (2 With En-Suites)
- 3 Receptions & Conservatory
- Double Garage & Parking
- Landscaped Gardens
- Views Of Breidden Hills & Llanymynech Hill
- Current EPC Rating

**Maes Myllin, Llanfyllin****Price: £234,950****Contact Oswestry**

In excellent decorative order this four bedroom town house and former B&B is a MUST see property. Offering spacious accommodation over three floors with superb 23ft by 23ft master bedroom ensuite.

- 4 Beds (Inc Master Suite)
- Views Over Llanfyllin Town & The Hills
- NHBC Guarantee
- Parking
- UPVC Double Glazing
- Gas Central Heating

**College Road, Oswestry****Price: £174,950****Contact Oswestry**

Occupying a large corner plot, this detached three bedroom bungalow has been updated by the current owners.

- 3 Bedroom
- UPVC Double Glazing
- Gas Fired Central Heating
- Detached Garage, Car Port & Parking
- Large Corner Plot
- Current EPC Rating D

**Offas Park, Four Crosses****Price: £249,950****Contact Oswestry**

An immaculate detached family home built in 2000 offering spacious accommodation situated in generous gardens with double garage.

- 4 Bedroom (Master & En-Suite)
- Triple Aspect Lounge
- Oil CH & DG
- Double Garage & Parking
- Village Location
- Current EPC Rating D

**Pleasant View, Weston Rhyn****Price: £150,000****Contact Oswestry**

This detached three bedroom family home situated in a pleasant cul de sac location within a popular village.

- 3 Bed Detached Family Home
- Workshop & Garage / Parking
- Gardens To Front, Side & Rear
- Oil Central Heating
- Partial Double Glazing

**Belan, Llanfyllin****Price: £375,000****Contact Oswestry**

This detached family home offers spacious accommodation with detached barn and 6.1 acres of pasture land

- 4 Bedroom (Master & En-Suite)
- 2 Reception Rooms
- 2 Conservatories
- Detached Barn Offering 346 Sq Metres
- Solar Panels
- Current EPC Rating C

**Sandycroft, Cottage Fields, St Martins****Price: £220,000****Contact Oswestry**

This three bedroom detached bungalow is situated in a most popular and quiet residential area with countryside walks on the doorstep. Situated on a corner plot this bungalow is warmed by oil fired central heating.

- 3 Bedroom (Master & En-Suite)
- 2 Reception Rooms
- Garage & Parking
- Oil CH & DG
- Cul De Sac Position
- Current EPC Rating

**Maes Y Foel, Llansantffraid****Price: £175,000****Contact Oswestry**

A three bedroom detached dormer bungalow situated in a popular village location.

- 3 Bed Detached Dormer Bungalow
- UPVC Double Glazing
- Oil Central Heating
- Garage & Parking
- Gardens To Front & Rear
- Current EPC Rating E

**Winch House, Pant****Price: £375,000****Contact Oswestry**

This attractive and unique detached family home offers spacious and adaptable accommodation with superb views across the Shropshire Plain and to the Breidden Hills.

- Located On A Quiet No Through Lane
- 3 Receptions & Conservatory
- 3 Double Bedrooms (Master & En-Suite)
- Double Garage & Ample Parking
- Landscaped Gardens
- Current EPC Rating D

**Balmoral Crescent, Oswestry****Price: £148,000****Contact Oswestry**

This THREE BEDROOM semi detached family home with CONSERVATORY, GARAGE AND PARKING.

- 3 Bedroom
- Gas Central Heating
- UPVC Double Glazing
- Conservatory
- Garage & Parking
- Gardens

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4 BED DET HOUSE
3 RECEPTION ROOMS
PERIOD FEATURES
EPC RATING F
OIRO £350,000



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3 BED DET HOUSE
2 RECEPTION ROOMS
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EPC RATING F
OIRO £279,950



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4 BED DET DORMA BUNGALOW
NO CHAIN
2 RECEPTION ROOMS
2 ENSUITE BEDROOMS
OIRO £269,995



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3/4 BED DET BUNGALOW
2 RECEPTION ROOMS
ENVIABLE VIEWS
EPC RATING E
OIRO £259,950



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EPC RATING D
OIRO £249,950



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3 BED DET HOUSE
NO CHAIN
2 RECEPTION ROOMS
EPC RATING F
OIRO £222,000



Welshampton THE KNOWLES
3 BED DET BUNGALOW
KITCHEN/ DINER
SOUTH FACING GARDEN
EPC RATING D
OIRO £219,950



Oswestry 49 LONG CROFT
3/4 BED DET HOUSE
2/3 RECEPTION ROOMS
CONSERVATORY
EPC RATING C
OIRO £195,950



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3 BED SEMI DET HOUSE
2 RECEPTION ROOMS
DOWNSTAIRS WC
EPC RATING D
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Oswestry DELFRYN
3/4 BED SEMI-DET HOUSE
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NO CHAIN
EPC RATING D
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KITCHEN/ DINER
INTEGRAL GARAGE
EPC RATING B
OIRO £169,950



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2 BED DET BUNGALOW
UTILITY AREA
PVC D/G WHERE STATED
EPC RATING D
OIRO £149,995



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3 BED SEMI DET HOUSE
2 RECEPTION ROOMS
PLANNING TO EXTEND
EPC RATING E
OIRO £149,950



Oswestry 8 TRINITY CLOSE
3 BED SEMI-DET HOUSE
KITCHEN/DINER
EN-SUITE MASTER BEDROOM
EPC RATING C
OIRO £149,950



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3 BED SEMI DET BUNGALOW
2 RECEPTION ROOMS
PVC D/G
EPC RATING D
£139,950



Whitthinton 49 PENYBRYN AVENUE
3 BED SEMI DET HOUSE
NO CHAIN
MODERN KITCHEN
EPC RATING C
OIRO £137,500



NEW Oswestry 7 SYCAMORE FIELDS
3 BED SEMI-DETHOUSE
NO CHAIN
CONSERVATORY
EPC RATING D
OIRO £134,995



St Martins 2 ALBERTA VILLAS
2 BED SEMI DET HOUSE
NO CHAIN
KITCHEN/ BREAKFAST ROOM
EPC RATING F
OIRO £119,950



Oswestry 20 LLYS ROAD
2 BED END TERRACE HOUSE
KITCHEN/ DINER
EPC RATING D
GAS CENTRAL HEATING
OIRO £115,950



NEW Oswestry 12 ALBERT MEWS
2 BED END TERRACE HOUSE
NO CHAIN
MODERN KITCHEN AND BATHROOM
EPC RATING D
OIRO £112,500



NEW PRICE Oswestry 82 CASTLE STREET
2 BED TERRACE HOUSE
NO CHAIN
KITCHEN/ DINER
EPC RATING C
OIRO £104,950



NEW Oswestry 3 DAYWELL COTTAGES
2 BED END TERRACE HOUSE
NO CHAIN
PVC D/G
EPC RATING F
OIRO £99,950



NEW PRICE Oswestry 28 ERW WEN
2 BED END TERRACE
GAS CENTRAL HEATING
PVC DOUBLE GLAZING
EPC RATING D
OIRO £94,950



NEW Oswestry 39 CASTLE STREET
2 BED MID TERRACE HOUSE
NO CHAIN
2 RECEPTION ROOMS
CELLAR
OIRO £94,000



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Heritage Way



WITH CONSERVATORY A nicely presented and well planned modern detached family house which enjoys a pleasant cul-de-sac location within this recently constructed development. The property briefly comprises: Entrance Hall, Cloakroom, Lounge, Dining Room, Conservatory, Kitchen, Utility, Landing, Master Bedroom Ensuite, Two Further Bedrooms, Family Bathroom, Gas Fired Central Heating, Double Glazing, Driveway providing ample off-street parking, Garage and Gardens. Viewing Fully Recommended. EPC RATING D.

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S.S.T.C

Penybontfawr, Powys

THIS PLOT IS DUE FOR COMPLETION END OF JULY 2013 - EXCLUSIVE BRAND NEW DEVELOPMENT OF JUST 4 EXECUTIVE DETACHED HOMES 5 bedroom detached house which enjoys a delightful position within the picturesque village of Penybontfawr. Awaiting EPC

Asking Price £395,000



Ifton Fields, St Martins

OFFERS INVITED - Enjoying a pleasant cul-de-sac location a most well appointed and deceptively spacious 2 bed mid terraced property which needs to be viewed to appreciate the excellent accommodation. EPC RATING C.

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Dolywern, Llangollen

Situated in the picturesque Ceiriog valley, Richmond Harvey properties are delighted to release this character one bedroom apartment which is part of a conversion of the former water mill at Glan Y Wern. EPC RATING E.

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Llanarmon Dyffryn Ceiriog

Spacious 3 bedroom end terraced property which could also be suitable for a holiday retreat. The property briefly comprises: Entrance Porch, Hall, Cloakroom, Re-Fitted Kitchen, First Floor: Spacious Master Bedroom, PVC Double Glazing, Oil Fired Central Heating EPC RATING E.

Offers Over £135,000



Derwen Green, Four Crosses

3 bedroom link detached bungalow. The property comprises: Entrance Porch, Hallway, Re-Fitted Kitchen/Dining Room, Three Double Bedrooms, Re-Fitted Bathroom, Oil Fired Central Heating, PVC Double Glazing, Driveway providing ample off-street parking, Garage with WC, EPC RATING D.

Offers in Region of £204,000



Penybontfawr, Powys

THIS PLOT COULD BE READY FOR OCCUPATION DURING SUMMER 2013 4 bed detached house which enjoys a delightful position within the picturesque village of Penybontfawr. Agents Note: The photographs are for illustration purposes only showing a 4 bedroom house type. Awaiting EPC

Asking Price £349,950



Valley Court, Morda Road

PART-EXCHANGE CONSIDERED Detached five bedroom Victorian residence which enjoys a truly fabulous edge of town position. The property offers a wealth of character features to also include an Annexe. EPC RATING E.

Guide Price £795,000



Fernhill Lane, Gobowen

A two bedroom semi detached bungalow which enjoys a pleasant location and briefly comprises: Entrance Hall, Lounge, Kitchen, Gas Fired Central Heating, PVC Double Glazing, EPC RATING C.

Offers in Region of £110,000



Turners Lane, Llyncllys

A 3 bedroom split level detached country house situated near to Llyncllys Common Nature Reserve and is set in 0.5 acres of therabouts of mature cottage style gardens. Accommodation: Entrance Porch, Reception Hall, Dining Room, Garden Room, Utility, Boiler Room, Oil Fired Central Heating, Workshop. EPC RATING D.

Open to Offers £299,950



Queens Meadow, Queens

4/5 bedroom modern executive detached house with Oil Fired Central Heating, PVC Double Glazing, Alarm System, Brick Paved Driveway Providing Ample Off Road Parking, Integral Garage and Enclosed Rear Garden. EPC RATING D.

Offers in Region of £259,950



The Hollies, Church Lane, St

A 3 bedroom detached bungalow which benefits from an attached double garage and garden room extension. The property also comprises: Entrance Hall, Cloakroom, Dining Room, Double Glazing where stated, Gas Fired Central Heating, EPC RATING D.

Offers in Region of £229,995



S.S.T.C

Whittington Road

POSSIBLE DEVELOPMENT OPPORTUNITY Enjoying a favoured edge of village location offering scope for modernisation with an extensive plot which offers scope for development subject to the necessary consents. EPC RATING E.

Offers in the region of £194,950



Y Ddol, Penybontfawr

3 bed det bungalow, enjoying a pleasant cul-de-sac location and delightful countryside views to the rear elevation. The property briefly comprises: Entrance Hall, Dining Room, Utility, Master Bedroom Ensuite, Oil Fired Central Heating, Oak PVC Double Glazing, Fascias and Soffits. EPC RATING D.

Offers in Region of £207,000



Greenhill Bank, Criftins

A 4 bedroom detached house to the market which enjoys a delightful rural position conveniently placed for Ellesmere, St Martins and Oswestry. The property briefly comprises: Porch, Entrance Hall, Dining Room, Conservatory, Utility, Ground Floor WC, Oil Fired Central Heating, PVC Double Glazing. EPC RATING E.

Offers in Region of £229,995



Tregarthen Lane, Pant

Impressive 4/5 bedroom detached period residence which comprises: High Spec Fitted Kitchen opening into a lovely snug room with log burner and dining room. Further reception room/office, Ground Floor Bedroom and Shower Room, Master Bedroom with Dressing Area and Ensuite, Det. Double Garage. EPC RATING D.

Price Guide £495,000



Henlle Lane, Weston Rhyn

A character detached barn conversion which has been sympathetically renovated by the present owners. The property enjoys a delightful location over looking open parkland towards Henlle golf course. With flexible living and the potential for annexe or bed and breakfast facilities. EPC RATING C.

Offers in Region of £410,000



Wern, Weston Rhyn

A 4 bedroom character detached family residence built circular 1803 which offers a wealth of character features with a separate Detached Garage which lends itself to conversion into a self contained apartment subject to the necessary consents. The property enjoys delightful mature gardens and grounds. EPC RATING E.

Offers in Region of £599,950



Victoria Road, Oswestry

Offering a wealth of character features and enjoying a much sought after location, Richmond Harvey Properties are delighted to release this most spacious period five bedroom detached family residence. EPC RATING D.

Offers in Region of £365,000



Roft Street, Oswestry

3 bedroom detached Victorian town house which has been improved over the years yet still retaining a wealth of character features. The property offers the discerning buyer the opportunity to purchase a truly delightful family residence offering central town living EPC RATING D.

Offers in Region of £239,950



Edward Street, Oswestry

Semi detached house which offers a convenient location. The property briefly comprises: Entrance Hall, Living Room, Sitting Room, Dining Room, Walk in Pantry, Kitchen, Lean To with WC and Built in Store, First Floor Landing, 3/4 Bedrooms, Bathroom, Rear Yard, Gas Fired Central Heating, NO CHAIN. EPC RATING D.

Offers in Region of £164,995



Llanfyllin, Powys

A truly spacious country residence set in approx. 3.8 acres of gardens and grounds which was formerly a working farm enjoying a delightful rural situation. Driveway providing extensive parking. Garage and Large Detached Outbuilding. Internal Viewing Fully Recommended. EPC RATING F.

Price Guide £540,000



Llyncllys, Shropshire

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- Two Reception Rooms
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- Two Double Bedrooms
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- Gas Central Heating
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- Detached Period Farmhouse
- Paddocks Extending to Six Acres
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- Great Business/ Development Opportunity
- Five Bedroom Accommodation
- Three Large Reception Rooms
- EPC Rating G.

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- Two Reception Rooms
- Double Glazing

- Town Centre Location
- Amenities Close to Hand
- Full of Character. EPC E

£140,000

GOBOWEN



- Modern Detached House
- Three Bedrooms
- Corner Plot Gardens

- Driveway & Parking
- Conservatory. EPC D
- Upvc Double Glazing

£169,950

GOBOWEN



- NO CHAIN!!
- Semi-Detached Property
- Three Bedrooms

- Front & Rear Garden
- Off Road Parking. EPC E
- Great Potential

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ST MARTINS



- NO CHAIN
- Detached Family House
- Three Bedrooms & Ensuite

- Victorian Conservatory
- Cul de Sac Location. EPC D
- Two Reception Rooms

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- In Need Of Updating
- Many Original Features
- Two Double Bedrooms. EPC E

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- Double Garage & Parking
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- Detached Dormer Bungalow
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- Three/Four Bedrooms
- Set in 0.3 Acres. EPC D
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CHIRK



- Detached House
- Three Bedrooms
- Corner Plot. EPC D

- Front and Rear Gardens
- Garage and Parking
- Gas Central Heating

£147,500

TETCHILL, ELLESMERE



- Detached Bungalow
- Four Bedrooms
- Immaculately Presented

- Well Maintained Gardens
- Double Garage
- Viewing Recommended

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- Three Bed Country Cottage
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- Landscaped Gardens. EPC F

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LLANFYLLIN



- Detached Cottage
- Two Double Bedrooms
- Potential for Extension
- Off Road Parking. EPC G

£157,000

LLANRHAEDR YM



- No Chain
- End of Terrace House
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- Off Road Parking. EPC D

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- NO CHAIN!!
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- Detached House
- Four Bedrooms. EPC F.

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| LOT 1 | Aberfalls House, Abergwyngern Modernised detached six bedroom property. An excellent investment. | GUIDE PRICE: £240,000 | LOT 22 | St Mary's Street, Whitchurch Grade II listed building over three floors in need of improvement, inc. annexe. | GUIDE PRICE: £160,000 |
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| LOT 5 | Cae Helyg Isaf, Pandy WITHDRAWN FROM AUCTION | GUIDE PRICE: N/A | LOT 26 | Woodside Cottage, Cadole SOLD PRIOR TO AUCTION Mid row character cottage, landscaped gardens. GCH & DG. | GUIDE PRICE: N/A |
| LOT 6 | Deganwy Beach, Deganwy Maisonette with open plan accommodation, three beds. GCH. DG. | GUIDE PRICE: £125,000 | LOT 27 | Land @ Seaward Gronant Land for sale with planning for a single dwelling. | GUIDE PRICE: £50,000 |
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| LOT 8 | Gardd Estyn, Wrexham Modern Semi detached house. Two reception. Three bed. GCH & DG. | GUIDE PRICE: £160,000 | LOT 29 | Llanerch Road East, Rhos-on-Sea Substantial four bedroom semi detached house. | GUIDE PRICE: £210,000 |
| LOT 9 | Gladwyn Road, Wrexham End terraced property, two reception, three beds. Gardens. GCH/DG. | GUIDE PRICE: £85,000 | LOT 30 | Wilson Avenue, Wrexham Modern first floor apartment, garden to the rear. GCH & DG. | GUIDE PRICE: £50,000 |
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| LOT 11 | Land @ Ridley Wood, Holt SOLD PRIOR TO AUCTION Block of pasture land with field shelter extending to approx 2.7 acres. | GUIDE PRICE: N/A | LOT 32 | Offa Street, Johnstown POSTPONED FROM AUCTION | GUIDE PRICE: £80,000 |
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| LOT 14 | Manley Road, Wrexham Attention Developers: A link detached period property in need of renovation. | GUIDE PRICE: £150,000 | LOT 35 | Commercial Street, Caerphilly SOLD PRIOR TO AUCTION Commercial. Non trading chip shop/café with two double bed flat above. | GUIDE PRICE: N/A |
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| LOT 19 | Rock House, Garth, Llangollen Attention Investors: A six bedroom property versatile accommodation. | GUIDE PRICE: £200,000+ | LOT 40 | Land @Brymbo 0.22 Acre with outline planning consent for two dwellings. | GUIDE PRICE: £40,000 |
| LOT 20 | Saracens Head, Llansanan A former village inn & hotel. Full licence & planning permission. | GUIDE PRICE: £95,000 | LOT 41 | Greenfields, Marine Parade, Barmouth A twelve bedroom mid terraced house ideal B & B subject to planning | GUIDE PRICE: £150,000 |
| LOT 21 | St James Place, Holywell An extended mid terraced property with GCH & DG. | GUIDE PRICE: £55,000 | LOT TBC | This space could sell your property!!!!!!!!!!!!!! This space could sell your property!!!!!!!!!!!!!! | |

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Queens Head
Oswestry £65,000

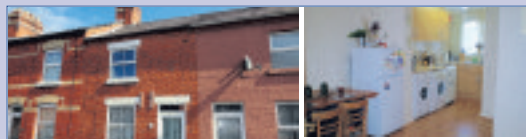
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- A rare opportunity to purchase a block of grassland extending to 8.6 acres (3.48 ha) or thereabouts conveniently located next to the A5 Trunk road at Queens Head just outside the market town of Oswestry.
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NEW

Llys Close
Oswestry £114,950

- A well presented 2 bedroom Mid-Terrace Property close to the centre of the town
- Lounge, well fitted Kitchen/Dining Room with patio doors leading to the garden
- 2 Bedrooms and a fitted Bathroom
- Recently fitted decking area together with a lawned garden, garden shed & designated parking
- Gas C/H and D/G All fitted blinds, curtain poles & light fittings are included. EPC Rating



NEW - NO CHAIN

Albert Road
Oswestry £97,000

- A deceptively spacious two bedroom Mid-Terrace property situated within walking distance of the town centre of Oswestry
- An open plan Lounge/Dining Room, Kitchen, two Double Bedrooms and Bathroom
- Courtyard garden providing an ideal outdoor entertainment area together with a large storage shed
- Gas C/H and double glazing throughout. EPC Rating

GREAT Ness
Shrewsbury £375,000

NEW



- A rare opportunity to purchase a Grade II Listed Period Property believed to date from the early 17th Century situated in the charming hamlet of Great Ness with excellent views over the rolling North Shropshire countryside
- The property has been sympathetically restored and extended by the current owners to create a spacious family home yet retaining a host of original features. The mature gardens are well stocked and offer the perfect back drop
- Lounge, Living Room, Dining Room, Kitchen, Utility and Shower Room on the Ground floor. 3 large bedrooms and a Family Bathroom, a further 2 Bedrooms and a Study.



NEW

Gobowen Road
Oswestry £134,995

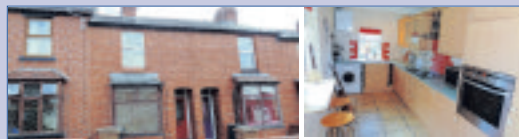
- A deceptively spacious double fronted 3 bedroom Semi-Detached Property situated within walking distance of the town centre
- Lounge, Dining Room, Kitchen, Conservatory, 3 Bedrooms and Family Bathroom
- Large brick paved parking area with tarmac driveway and a single garage
- The garden is laid to lawn with a raised deck area. uPVC D/G and Gas C/H.



NEW - NO CHAIN

Croeswylan Cres
Oswestry £144,995

- A well appointed 2 bedroom Detached Bungalow
- In a popular residential area within walking distance of the town centre
- Entrance Hall, Lounge/Dining Room, Fully Fitted Kitchen
- 2 Excellent Bedrooms and Shower Room
- Private well stocked rear gardens, a large garage and off-road parking
- uPVC D. Glazed windows & fascia boards & Gas C/H throughout. EPC Rating



NEW

Llwyn Road
Oswestry £109,995

- A deceptively spacious 2 Bedroom Mid-Terrace Property situated within walking distance of town centre
- Entrance Porch, Entrance Hall, Lounge, Dining Room, Fully Fitted Kitchen
- 2 Bedrooms and a Large Bathroom
- Private garden with a large garden shed with light & power connected
- Gas fired central heating and part uPVC D/G. EPC rating D

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LLANGOLLEN LOT 1 Guide Price Over £25,000



- Detached, considerable scope for refurb or redev (subject to consent)
- Gardens of approx 0.16 ac
- Living room and kitchen to ground floor
- 2 beds and bath upstairs
- EPC Rating G

WREXHAM LOT 2 Guide Price Over £40,000



- 2 bedroom end terrace
- Situated in Pontfaen in the Ceiriog Valley.
- Requires a full scheme of modernisation
- Single garage and parking to the rear
- EPC Rating G

OSWESTRY LOT 3 Guide Price Over £45,000



- A spacious 3 bedroom semi-detached property
- Set in a large plot in the popular village of Whittington.
- In need of renovation works
- Lounge, Kitchen, Utility Room and Bath, 3 Beds separate WC
- EPC Rating D

OSWESTRY LOT 4 Guide Price Over £50,000



- Modernised 2 bedroom Leasehold apartment
- Situated in Babbinswood close to Oswestry
- Recently fitted Kit & Bath
- Lounge and 2 Double Beds
- Private rear garden
- Ideal for 1st time buyers & Investors

LLANGOLLEN LOT 5 Guide Price £80,000



- A substantial block of residential investment property providing excellent scope for modernisation and refurbishment having been partially converted in previous years into individual bedsit style flats but suitable for either refurbishment into a single residence or (subject to consent) conversion into separate letting units.

WHITCHURCH LOT 6 Guide Price Over £35,000



- A substantial commercial property
- Currently let to the Driving Standards Authority
- Extends to over 650 sq ft evenly split over two floors
- The property retains a host of original features

OSWESTRY LOT 7 Guide Price Over £70,000



- In need of Modernisation
- Lounge, Dining Room, Kitchen
- Ground Floor Bathroom
- 3 Beds First Floor Bedrooms
- 2 Second Floor Bedrooms
- Small Rear Courtyard with Workshop and WC
- Parking Area
- Character Features

ELLESMEERE LOT 8 Guide Price Over £200,000



- Detached property & 2.59 acres (1.05 ha).
- Requires full scheme of modernisation and improvement
- Picturesque rural location with extensive views over open countryside.
- EPC Rating - G

ELLESMEERE LOT 9 Guide Price Over £275,000



- Residential smallholding comprising house, traditional buildings & 3.47 acres (1.40 ha).
- Picturesque rural location with open views.
- Requires full scheme of modernisation & improvement works.
- EPC rating - G

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Guide Price
£60,000 -
£70,000

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AUCTION



19 Bridge Street, Llanfyllin

- Detached Three Storey Town House
- 2 Reception rooms, Kitchen/Breakfast Room
- 4/5 Bedrooms, Bathroom
- Annexe (requiring completion)
- Enclosed rear garden and patio
- Oil Central Heating
- Energy Efficiency Rating = 23

Guide Price £150,000
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AUCTION



5 Glanymorfa, Llangadfan

- Spacious Semi-Detached Family House.
- 2 Reception rooms, Kitchen, Utility.
- 3 Bedrooms, Bathroom, Oil Heating, DG.
- Gardens and Parking
- Energy Efficiency Rating = 52

Guide Price £80,000 - £100,000
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AUCTION



11 Maes Y Ddawns, Llangadfan

- Modern Detached House
- 2 Reception rooms, Kitchen
- 4 Bedrooms, En-suite & Bathroom
- Integral Single Garage.
- Oil heating, DG, Gardens
- Energy Efficiency Rating = 67

Guide Price £150,000 - £165,000
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Bethal Chapel, High St, Welshpool



- Redundant Chapel
- With planning consent to convert into three apartments.
- Close to town centre
- Ideal Investment Opportunity

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- Energy Efficiency Rating = 61

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4 Leg Street, Oswestry



- Small Retail Unit To Let, £5,600 P.A.
- Affording three possible trading floors
- Close to town centre pedestrian area
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Delfryn, Geuffordd, Guilsfield



- Detached Bungalow in Semi-Rural Location.
- Sitting Room with wood burner. Kitchen with b/i oven/hob
- Side Ent Hall. 3 Bedrooms, Bathroom. Oil Fired heating (comb)
- Double Glazed. Vegetable Garden and lawn
- Stable Block with further amenity area. Extending to 1/3 of an Acre
- Energy Efficiency Rating = 31

£239,950

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10 Glan Lledan, Welshpool



- Modern 3 Bedroom Semi-Detached House
- In Good Condition Throughout
- Sitting/Dining Room, Kitchen, Bathroom
- Electric Heating. UPVC Double Glazing
- Ample parking to front and side
- Easily maintained rear garden area
- First Time Buyer/Investment
- Energy Efficiency Rating = 69

£125,000

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Ivydene, Garreg Bank, Trewern



- Well Presented 4 Bedroom Detached Family House
- Sitting Room, Kitchen/Diner, Snug/Dining Room, Office, Utility
- 2 En-suites, Bathroom. Detached Double Garage
- Paved patio with lawn and vegetable garden
- Within a private cul-de-sac of 3 properties
- Oil Heating. UPVC D.G. Views of Long Mountain
- Energy Efficiency Rating = 67

£249,950

Welshpool Office 01938 554818

5 Borfa Green, Welshpool



- Spacious 3 Bedroom Semi-Detached House
- Sitting & Dining Rooms. Kitchen with built-in oven and hob
- Bathroom. Ground Floor W.C. Walk-in Workshop. Gas Heating
- Double Glazed. Brick pavior frontage & mature shrub garden
- Paved patio & rear garden. Easy walking distance of the Town Centre
- Energy Efficiency Rating = 66

£137,500

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7 Penybryn, High St, Llanfyllin

£142,500

- Spacious Semi-Detached Town Cottage
- 2 Receptions, Office Lobby, Kitchen, Conservatory
- First Floor Sitting Room/Bedroom
- 3 Further Bedrooms, Bathroom.
- Two Loft Bedrooms. Adjoining Workshop/Utility with W.C.
- Gas Fired Heating. Double Glazed primarily
- Enclosed paved seating area. Off road parking
- Energy Efficiency Rating = 3

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1 Bluebell Close, Welshpool



- Semi-Detached 2 Bedroom House
- Living Room, Kitchen, Bathroom
- Parking to front. Lawn to rear with patio area
- Gas Central Heating. Double Glazed
- Suitable for First Time Buyer or Investment
- Energy Efficiency Rating = 58

£115,000

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£625,000

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Meifod, Nr Welshpool

£399,000

A beautiful timber framed period former farmhouse situated in an idyllic location with gardens running down to a pool and views over surrounding fields and countryside. Set within 4.9 acres of land is this superb smallholding ideal for Equestrian use or from which to run a rural business. The brick farm buildings have planning permission for conversion into two residential dwellings. EPC: E

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Llanfair Caereinion, Welshpool

£650,000

A handsome Regency Villa set in about 3 acres of mature gardens and grounds. Parts of the property date back to the 17th Century and there are an abundance of character features including sash windows, original shutters, floorboards, exposed beams and a selection of interesting fireplaces. The house consists of 5 bedrooms (two with en-suite) and a family bathroom on the first floor with spacious and flexible accommodation on the ground floor, whilst being complemented by very attractive mature gardens which surround the house. The property has a range of outbuildings which include a large stone and timber barn which would be suitable for conversion subject to the necessary consents. Located under a mile from the centre of Llanfair Caereinion and the towns amenities, whilst the larger centres of Welshpool, Newtown and Shrewsbury are about 10 miles 11.5 miles and 31 miles respectively.

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Parry Lowarch residential



Llanyblodwel, Oswestry

A detached Grade II Listed country property, which has been renovated over recent years retaining the character and features of the original building. Entrance hall with cloaks lobby, sitting room having the original stone fire surround, dining room, living room, kitchen, utility room, gallery landing, master bedroom, guest bathroom, second floor spacious bedroom/games/office area. Outside there is an independent office/library. Gardens to the front and rear, ample parking, garage. EPC Band: G. For further information contact 01691 655334.

Guide Price: £450,000

2858



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A detached property which has been totally re-designed and refurbished to make a spacious family home or as a small luxury B&B which it is currently being utilised for. Reception hall, feature central hallway, sitting room, conservatory, large dining room, study suite, small gym, kitchen/breakfast room, family room, laundry room, downstairs bedroom with en-suite shower room, mezzanine landing/sitting area, three double bedrooms with en-suite bathroom/shower rooms. PVC DG, propane gas CH, triple carport, easily maintained gardens, ample parking. EPC Band: D

Guide Price: £425,000

2991



VASTLY REDUCED

Llangedwyn, Oswestry

An attractive and extremely spacious, detached barn conversion, with uPVC DG, electric storage heating, wood burner, double garage, gardens and small paddock amounting in all to over one acre or thereabouts. Entrance hall, main reception hall, living room, dining room, cloaks/WC, large farmhouse style kitchen/breakfast room, utility room, large landing, four good bedrooms, en-suite shower room, family shower room. Occupying a delightful rural position set in the middle of its garden grounds, enjoying superb country views over the surrounding fields and beyond. EPC Band: E

Guide Price: £410,000

2744



Babbinswood, Nr Ellesmere

An attractive farmhouse of great charm and character in need of some modernisation with great potential to form a first class family property, standing in good sized gardens with two paddocks adjacent to the garden, in all extending to approximately three acres. Hall, dining room, sitting room, farmhouse style kitchen, back kitchen/utility room, cloakroom, workshop/playroom, master bedroom, dressing room, en-suite, bedroom 2, bedroom 3, bathroom, attic room 1/bedroom 4, attic room 2/bedroom 5. EPC Band: G

Guide Price: £395,000



Maesbrook, Oswestry

A delightful character country property dating back to early 1800's renovated to a very high standard, situated in a secluded location with views to the Yrnwy and Morda Brook. Set in a secluded rural location, the property enjoys considerable seclusion and privacy. Breakfast kitchen, pantry, utility room, conservatory, living room, study, dining room, four double bedrooms, family bathroom. Garden extends to approx 1/3 of an acre, ample parking space, double garage with loft space and engine pit. EPC Band: D. For further details contact 01691 655334.

Guide Price: £365,000

3547



Maesbrook, Oswestry

A delightful period property set in 1.75 acres of gardens, established vegetable plots and paddocks. Originally a small detached period cottage, having been considerably extended to provide an extremely spacious family home. It occupies a delightful rural position adjoining open countryside in a quiet location about three quarters of a mile down a country lane yet easily accessible to the main road within a few minutes. Entrance porch, hall, main reception hall, family room/study, sitting room, very large kitchen/dining room, utility room, ground floor shower room, four bedrooms plus an office/fifth bedroom and good size family bathroom. Ample brick and timber store sheds, Dutch barn and garage. EPC Band: F

Guide Price: £395,000

3545



Llangedwyn, Oswestry

The Green Inn is situated on the B4396 road which runs between Oswestry and Bala in the Tanat Valley renowned for its natural beauty. The Tanat Valley is on the Wales/England border and the Berwyn mountain range is within easy travelling distance. It is ideally located for local trade and tourist traffic also to the area, and provides licensed accommodation on the ground and first floor, along with private living accommodation. EPC Band: F. Contact Agents on 01691 655334.

Guide Price: £325,000



NO CHAIN

Llanerfyl, Welshpool

An extremely spacious detached bungalow, having LP gas CH, DG, double garage, and very large garden grounds amounting in all to approx 0.75 acres. Hall, living room, study, dining room, fitted kitchen, utility room, conservatory, four bedrooms and three bath/shower rooms. It occupies a very pleasant position in the village, well set back from the road and adjacent to countryside, situated approx four miles west of Llanfair Caereinion, and about 14 miles from Welshpool. EPC Band: E

Guide Price: £320,000

2913



Crickheath, Oswestry

A charming detached property, built at the same time as the Montgomery Canal, with spacious well maintained accommodation offering original cottage features. It occupies tranquil location and rural aspect make this an ideal rural retreat. There is a useful garden store, garage and greenhouses, together with a summerhouse, the garden is mainly laid to lawn intersected with mature shrubs and trees, hall, sitting room, dining room, kitchen/breakfast room, utility, three bedrooms, en-suite shower room, family bathroom. EPC Band: F. For further details contact 01691 655334.

Guide Price: £295,000



INSPECTION HIGHLY RECOMMENDED

Fron, Montgomery

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Guide Price: £265,000

3528



INSPECTION RECOMMENDED

Abermule, Montgomery

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They will be displaying food and craft products from 9am until 5pm.

The traders will be displaying a wide variety of products, including: top of the range French Saucissons (salami), spicy Spanish Chorizo, Hungarian Chimney cakes, flavoured French mustards, Italian biscuits, Polish jewellery, Italian leather belts, organic soap, real Greek Olives, unpasteurised French cheeses, Turkish Delight, Toulouse Sausages, French Black Pudding, Mergez, Baklava, crepes, bread and pastries, garden furniture and more.

Mayor of Oswestry Councillor Chris Schofield said: "The number of great events throughout the year in Oswestry is fantastic to see. The food festival brings thousands of visitors into the town and it is hoped the continental market will do the same. Not to mention the approaching Heritage weekend, Apple Day, Bonfire Night and Christmas Live."

For a full list of events go to www.oswestry-tc.gov.uk

Angry carers jeer councillors over plan to axe day centres

COUNCILLORS rejected plans for a cross-party commission on the future of adult day care centres in Shropshire – because they said it would increase the anxiety for users.

Amid jeers from the gallery, Shropshire Council's health and adult care scrutiny committee voted against Labour and Liberal Democrat plans for the commission on Monday, despite a meeting where members of the public said their views had not been taken into account.

The council is to close four adult day care centres – two in Shrewsbury and two more in Oswestry once a replacement had been built – as well as reviewing the future of others, as it moves towards giving adults in social care personal budgets, which they can spend on a package of care and activities to meet their needs.

To laughter and cries of "What a load of rubbish" from the public gallery, the meeting was told some alternatives to day care were fishing, football and gym membership.

Labour group leader Alan Mosley called for a commission to look at the plans again amid concerns over the consultation period and the impact on people.

He said: "We have got a document which talks about consultation with 600 people, and we have got a room full of people which includes some of those 600 and they don't feel consulted in the slightest."

by David Burrows

"These proposals are designed primarily to save £1.5 million."

"Why are we rushing this through? The decision has been taken by one person in a private meeting and the start of the holiday period."

Jennifer Lee, who cares for her sister, was applauded by the packed public gallery when she said: "There has been a lack of consultation. Neither I nor any other carers have had the chance to participate. This can only mean the consultation period was flawed."

"I wasn't told about day centres closing. If we'd had an inkling that they were closing you would have had more of a response from carers. You are trying to pass the buck so we have to pay out more ourselves."

Liberal Democrat councillor Viv Parry left the meeting early because of an appointment, but fired a parting shot at committee chairman Gerald Dakin, saying not enough notification had been given.

She said: "I think the way



Protesters fighting the closure of day centres in Shropshire gathered at Shirehall in Shrewsbury earlier this week.

you're treating these people is disgusting."

And Councillor Mansel Williams said something had gone "radically wrong" when people were laying bare their private lives at a council meeting.

He said: "It is outrageous and I think people need answers."

But scrutiny committee chairman Gerald Dakin said: "I am surprised that councillors have been surprised at the timing of this

decision. We have been talking about it for two years."

"If the commission had happened 12 months ago we could have done something with it. But to do it at the end of the process would just lead to more anxiety."

Stephen Chandler, director of adult social care who prepared the report on day centres, insisted there had been "a very public and detailed" consultation.

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AN independent college has been confirmed as one of the top International Baccalaureate (IB) schools following this week's exams results.

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The results mean she has secured her place to read history at Girton College, Cambridge.

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Rebecca said: "I am very happy with my results and have thoroughly enjoyed the IB experience at Ellesmere."

Headteacher Brendan Wignall said: "I am delighted for our pupils who have done so well in the International Baccalaureate Diploma Programme. They have certainly worked very hard."

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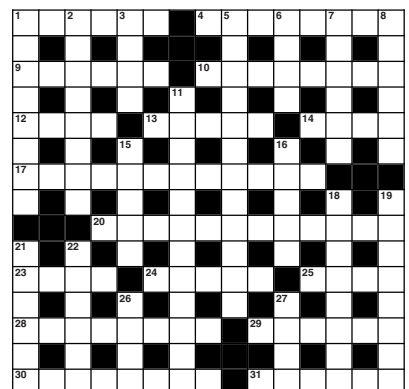
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Compiled by Roger F. Squires

ACROSS

- 1 Bad tot given guidance (6)
- 4 It's shown by weatherman in his other map (8)
- 9 Discretion in control is expedient (6)
- 10 Give applause in excess (4,4)
- 12 Look on the present age as a burden (4)
- 13 Silly mistake artfully hidden (5)
- 14 Wild orgy that may give one a turn (4)
- 17 Odd time departed could be quite intentional (12)
- 20 As commanded by tennis umpires or judges? (5,2,5)
- 23 Enthusiastic opera-singer in a comeback (4)
- 24 Free to be at it - that's great! (5)
- 25 Knocks over box (4)
- 28 Its choir could be famous (8)
- 29 A minimum investment in the Marshall Islands (6)
- 30 Demanding much in either effort or money (8)
- 31 A stinker in more than one way (3,3)

DOWN

- 1 Bet a long striding gait is natural for it (8)
- 2 Announced a number have cleared out (8)
- 3 Cold anger upsets him (4)
- 5 Minor economies that attract some interest (5,7)
- 6 Soundly fastened in the current (4)
- 7 They act diplomatically so envy is disguised (6)
- 8 Leave on desert island in the shade (6)
- 11 Initial repetition is only repetition after all (12)
- 15 An ambassador needs skill and compassion (5)
- 16 Audible bit of tranquillity! (5)
- 18 It's put on for service (8)
- 19 Lacking bite? (8)
- 21 Girl's pen had broken (6)
- 22 A holiday is needed to make it safe (6)
- 26 Farm butter (4)
- 27 Set up a capital arrangement (4)

LAST WEEKS RESULTS

Across: 1 Instalment, 6 Knew, 10 Ingle, 11 Lumbering, 12 Fastener, 13 Oasis, 15 Eclipse, 17 Codicil, 19 Eardrum, 21 Coronet, 22 Alpha, 24 Landmark, 27 Israelite, 28 Valse, 29 Task, 30 Death's door.
Down: 1 Iris, 2 Signaller, 3 Agent, 4 Melanie, 5 Numeric, 7 Nails, 8 Wages clerk, 9 Recorder, 14 Generalist, 16 Partaken, 18 Contralto, 20 Malaise, 21 Context, 23 Parts, 25 Moves, 26 Bear.

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Advice to relatives of those in care

AN expert mental health lawyer from Oswestry has urged families to seek advice about relatives in care and nursing homes after flaws in the Mental Capacity Act were exposed.

John Lancaster, a partner with GHP Legal, has urged the families of vulnerable people who they believe are being unlawfully detained to urgently seek specialist legal advice. It follows a report to a House of Lords select committee this week which claimed tens of thousands of vulnerable people are being detained unlawfully due to the complexity of the Mental Capacity Act.

Mr Lancaster said he was not at all surprised by the evidence presented to the committee by lawyers.

"The MCA is seriously flawed in many ways, and there is a general lack of awareness among people as to who should be assessing whether a Deprivation of Liberty Safeguards order is required," he said.

"As a result a great many vulnerable people are being unlawfully deprived of their liberty, and to boot the Court of Protection, which exists to deal with cases concerning people who do not have the mental capacity to make their own decisions, is inflexible, costly and so far removed from the experience of most family carers that few know to turn to it."

Scarecrows are lining up for the annual village show

SCARECROWS have been popping up around the village of Llanfechain this week in preparation for the annual village show.

While competitions from cookery to crafts, flowers, fruit and veg will take place at the show on Bank Holiday Monday (August 26), there will also be a prize for the best scarecrow that appears in gardens and fields across the area.

One of the organisers, June Row, said the open scarecrow competition was very popular. "Any scarecrow from within or from outside the parish can be entered, as long as it appears somewhere in Llanfechain by 9am today (Thursday)," she said.

by Graham Breeze

Film's stars at Q&A session

THE stars and director of revenge thriller Communion will taking place in a question and answer session at a screening of the film in Oswestry on Saturday.

The film will be showing at The Attfield theatre off the Bailey Head on August 24 at 7.30pm as part of the 'Out Of The Box - Adventures in Cinema' series funded through Shropshire Screen.

Communion is the fourth and latest feature film from multi award-winning British film maker Greg Hall and his filmmaking collective Broke But Making Films.

This screening is the first on a UK tour of selected venues following the film's premiere and theatrical run in London.

Afterwards, Greg Hall, Paul Marlon and producer Becky Finlay-Hall will be answering questions from the audience. And they will host a Free Masterclass for Young Filmmakers at The Centre on Oak Street in the afternoon. Tickets cost £3 for adults and £2 for under 16s. Book on 0845 2500517.

Fact-finding trip for traders



Jools Payne, Tim Morris, John Waine and Heather Noble flying the flag in Skipton for Oswestry Chamber Of Commerce.

THE Oswestry Chamber of Commerce executive team visited Skipton in Yorkshire on a fact-finding mission.

The aim was to discover how the historic Yorkshire town has created a powerful identity and strong sense of place that is positively impacting upon the local economy.

The personal invitation to the chamber's executive came from Craven District Council CEO Paul Shevlin - a former chief executive of Oswestry Borough Council. Heather Noble, Paul Wiseman, Jools Payne and John

Waine made the trip and were joined by Tim Morris from Booka Bookshop.

Oswestry Chamber chair Heather Noble, said: "Paul was a great host. We were given great insight into how the two-tier authority manages its key assets like the high street, its vibrant market and many festivals and the important role played by the town's business leaders."

The chamber will deliver a presentation on the trip during the Oswestry Connections business fair on October 2.

Lottery windfall hope for villages

ONE million pounds of lottery funding could be used to improve academic qualifications and help businesses in three villages, it has been announced.

The funding will be spent over 10 years in the villages of Gobowen, St Martins and Weston Rhyn.

A project team set up to look at how the Big Local lottery cash should be spent has set out its draft objectives.

These include making sure that, within 10 years, levels of academic and professional qualification at all ages in the villages match or exceed the national average.

The team also wants to help promote new businesses.

Nick Heard, chairman of the delivery group, said: "At the moment we're still in the development stage of the programme.

"We have to develop our community vision and then write a plan which will set out how the £1 million will be put to use in our communities."

"None of the £1m will be available until the community plan has been approved by the Local Trust.

The other aims include providing more activities for young people.

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Young farmers to mark anniversary

YOUNG farmers will celebrate their group's 70th anniversary with a party this weekend.

Tregynon Young Farmers Club will hold the celebration event on Sunday at Tyn-y-bryn Farm in Tregynon, near Welshpool.

All past and present members are welcome to join the celebrations. Tickets are available from Daphne on (01686) 640216 or Lynsey on (01686) 650957.

Castle is hosting car boot sale day

A CAR boot sale will be held at Whittington Castle on Monday from 10am to 1pm.

Admission is £5 per car with public admission free. Refreshments will be available on site.

No trade stands are allowed and cars will not be admitted before 9am.

For more information call (01691) 662500.

Council surgery

OSWESTRY Town Councilor Paul Milner will be holding a drop-in surgery at the town's library on August 31 from 11am until noon. Residents living in the town's Victoria ward are welcome to drop in to raise concerns or ask questions.

Direct rail link to capital vital for tourist economy

by David Burrows

WE all know the slogan, even if we don't remember the advert. Let the train take the strain.

The idea was that whether it was for business or pleasure, near or far, travelling by train was the way to go.

But times have changed and the lack of a direct rail link between Shropshire and London means that, for many, taking the train has become something of a pain.

To get to the nation's capital one has to make the choice to change trains or drive to a station which does offer a direct service.

It is a situation which many feel is not good enough and is why the *Chronicle's* sister paper the *Shropshire Star* - with the cross-party backing of the region's MPs - launched a petition calling on the Government and Network Rail to allow a direct link to be established. The petition has been signed by more than 1,700 people who say the service would be good for business and tourism, as well as making it easier to visit family members. Here we look at some of the reasons those who have signed the petition have given.

Richard Morris, from Shrewsbury, said: "I usually drive to Wolverhampton or Crewe, not because it's the better option but rather that the train service between Shrewsbury and Wolverhampton is pathetic.

"I am sick and tired of the train service not running on time, the excuses range from drivers starting the service late because they were on a break or simply that the train is full and I cannot get on."

"I remember many times getting the train from Telford where I work to then make my way to London, many trains would come and go with the train manager of each opening one set of doors at a time saying that they would



A direct link to London on one of Virgin's Pendolino trains would certainly ease the pain for passengers.

let people off but would not let more than one or two new passengers back on to the train for health and safety reasons.

"Things have not improved much as I was on the same train only last week, had to stand the entire way like on a tube train in London's rush hour.

"I am in full support of the idea, no more waiting in the rain and snow for the third or fourth train which might have capacity for me to squeeze on."

Shropshire commuters who do business in London are in no doubt about the benefits a direct service would bring.

Keith Davies, also from Shrewsbury, added: "The rail link between Shrewsbury, Telford and London is vital the continued success of Shropshire business.

"Shropshire is not the backwater that Network Rail and the regulator think it is. How would these organisations react if one of south eastern towns decided to close its railway stations and move all its resources into road transport?"

"The answer is that they would immediately be lobbying the Government for its reinstatement as its revenue stream would be severely disrupted.

"Shropshire, I believe, is seen as a soft touch when it comes to controversial decisions."

The petition has also attracted international attention. Darryl Keller from Cleveland, Ohio, said: "On my last trip to Shropshire, my wife and I wanted to spend a couple days in London. It would be so much more convenient if we could have done so with a direct rail."

"I would imagine many from London would like to spend some time in beautiful Shropshire - if it were easier to get there."

● To sign the petition, log on to www.shropshirestar.com/rail

One in 10 workers runs own business

AROUND one in 10 Shropshire workers is running their own business.

That means there are 10,603 self-employed people in the county, representing just over 10 per cent of the total workforce of 102,416.

That's higher than the national figures which suggest around eight per cent - or 2.5 million - of the total workforce is a home business owner.

The stats come from a new study of Government data by insurance company Direct Line for Business.

In Telford & Wrekin the figures match the national trend with 5,853 home businesses in a workforce of 77,290. However in south Shropshire, home business owners are more than double the national average at 16 per cent.

Those behind the study say a large majority of these home businesses operate in industries such as travel, marketing, recruitment and legal. But the figures also highlight emerging markets in catering, photography, hairdressing and arts & crafts.

Jazz Gakhil, head of Direct Line for Business, said: "Self-employment has been on the rise for several years and our research now shows that a great number of these people work for themselves from home, including in Shropshire."

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Show marks milestone with daring attractions

THIS year Llanfair Caereinion & District Show celebrates its 40th event on Saturday, August 31, at Llysun Farm, Llanerfyl, by kind permission of the Tudor family.

Our 2013 Show President Cadvan Evans, a local businessman, has always taken an interest in the local community. He became a member of the show committee in the early 1970s, has attended every show since and is a past chairman of the society. He has been a member of Llanfair Town Council for more than 30 years and dedicated his time to support the local community.

Cadvan, or "Cad" as he is known, grew up in the Banwy Valley, not too far from our show field of today. In 1973 he married Maureen and moved to Llanfair Caereinion. In 1974 together they started their own business C & M Transport and have served the agricultural community for many years.

Mr Evans said: "I feel it is a great honour to be president this year as we celebrate the 40th show since it was restarted in 1973. There are a lot of people who do a tremendous amount of hard work behind the scenes to ensure every show is a success and I invite you all to attend this family show packed full with a variety of entertainment."

As one of the largest shows in Montgomeryshire situated in an idyllic setting in the Banwy Valley, the show always attracts large crowds and a high standard of exhibitors. As there will be no grand parade this year the main ring will be full of entertainment all day. The show field will open to the public at 9.30am and during the morning the judging of horses, livestock and the main marquee will take place. From 12.30pm in the main ring we will



Look out for the thrilling displays at the show.

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see judging of the supreme championship and the decorated heavy horses leading on to the exciting heats of donkey derby with local jockeys.

The Broke FMX bike team will give a thrilling display followed by the elegance of carriage driving. The Montgomeryshire Vintage Club will bring memories of the past and the terror racing will be a delight to watch.

Around the show field you will be able to watch the skills of the Wye Valley Axe Team, visit the dog show, poultry marquee and the rural craft marquee full of local craft and food exhibitors and tradestands.

Music will be provided by Newtown

Silver Band and a circus skills workshop, face painting, nail art and Punch and Judy will entertain the youngsters in the village green area.

On show day a free bus service will leave Watergate Street car park on the hour between 11am and 2pm, travelling through Melnyddol on route to the show field and return from 5pm onwards. There will also be a bus running from the entrance of Foel Caravan Park at 12.30pm calling at Banw Community Centre and Cann Office.

Admission on show day is adults £7, pensioners £6 and children £3. Or buy in advance from the NFU Office or Gwen Buckley on (01938) 810366 and Liz Harding (01938) 556483.

On Friday 30th and Saturday 31st August stall holders from various European countries will be setting up in Oswestry's New Street, Cross Street and Bailey Street.

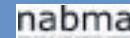
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GIG GUIDE**Weekend is packed with
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Taking place on Saturday and Sunday, the event will feature music from the cream of the local music scene.

Starting from noon on Saturday, the event is aimed at raising awareness for the campaign to help keep the venue alive.

Saturday will feature a multitude of acts including String the Marionette, The Cadavers and Portlights. The headline act will be local band StayAwake who will also use the event as a launch party for their new EP.

Sunday features another strong lineup with performances from Fight The Bear, Dai Robs, Little Red Bird and many others.

It's set to be a great two days of music, so make sure you head along.

Need something to do tonight (Thursday)? Then pay the Ironworks a visit, as talented singer songwriter Renny Jackson will be performing.

Hailing all the way from Seville, Renny spends most of his time playing in bars and music clubs across Spain with his band Yerbazu. Since forming the band he has steadily gained an underground following with their catchy songs and great musicianship.



Renny Jackson with his band Yerbazu.

Renny himself is originally from Birmingham where he used to perform at open mics in clubs around the city.

In 2011 he released his first studio album Talking Songs, which was produced by Pablo Cook who has worked with the likes of Joe Strummer and Moby.

Renny's songs range from upbeat to haunting and are filled with intelligent and heartfelt lyrics.

The gig starts at 8.30pm, with tickets costing £5 in advance and £6 on the door.

Local blues legend Eddy Gartry will be performing at the Royal Oak, Welshpool, on Friday night.

Best known as the front man of cult bands Blues State UK and T-Bird Rising, Eddie has made a name for himself as one of the best blues musicians in the area.

If you're a fan of toe-tapping blues in the vein of Howlin Wolf or Muddy Waters then this will be the show for you. It starts at 9pm and is free entry.

On Saturday the Royal Oak will be holding another of its Comedy Clubs, featuring comedians Erich McElroy, Alan Francis and Nick Stein.

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Motoring

Mountune adds oomph to lively Focus and Fiesta ST



A Mountune added Focus ST can sprint from 0-62mph in under six seconds

Ford's critically acclaimed Focus ST and Fiesta ST hot hatches just got hotter with the introduction of official Mountune upgrades.

The packages are developed by race engine and road-car performance specialist Mountune, and boost output from the Focus ST's 2.0-litre EcoBoost engine to 275PS – 10PS more than a Porsche Boxster which costs £15,000 more (£38,237).

Even the legendary Ford Sierra Cosworth RS500 would be left with a rear view of the

Mountune-upgraded Focus ST, which can sprint from 0-62mph in less than six seconds – more than half second faster than the standard Focus ST.

Ford is also offering an official Mountune upgrade for the Fiesta ST, which will increase maximum power to 215PS, enabling 0-62mph acceleration in 6.7sec, compared with 6.9sec on the factory model – faster than a £35,865 Mercedes-Benz SLK 200 AMG Sport.

The Mountune upgrades boost both Focus ST and Fiesta ST in-gear acceleration too. Peak Focus ST torque, heightened to 400Nm,

Badge of honour – the logo on the ST models

improves 31-62mph acceleration in fourth gear by 0.8sec to 4.9sec, while peak Fiesta ST torque, enhanced to 320Nm, improves 31-62 mph acceleration in fourth gear by 0.7sec to 5.7sec.

Any of the UK's 120 Mountune-appointed Ford dealers will be able to fit the upgrade – in under 60 minutes for the Fiesta ST, and less than 90 minutes for the Focus ST. Both are fully compatible with the Ford warranty, meaning Mountune modified vehicles continue to be covered against mechanical failure for three years or 60,000 miles from the original date of purchase.

The power-boosting Ford Fiesta Mountune upgrade costs £599

"Ford's ST models already deliver blistering performance – for these Mountune upgrades we have squeezed out every last drop of fun and served it on a plate to the fans that are as passionate about performance as we are," said Tyrone Johnson, Ford Team RS engineering manager.

The Focus ST Mountune upgrade includes a cast alloy inlet duct (silver or black powder coat finish), high-flow air filter element, larger alloy intercooler (silver or black powder coat finish) and unique calibration. The Fiesta ST version has a re-modelled air box base with secondary

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The Focus ST Mountune upgrade, at £1,225 for silver and £1,275 for black, still means the boosted Focus costs less than a standard Volkswagen Golf GTI. The Fiesta ST Mountune upgrade costs £599, with the finished Fiesta costing less than both the standard Peugeot 208 GTI and Renaultsport Clio 200 Turbo.

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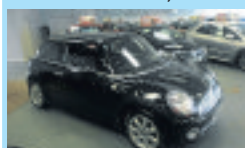
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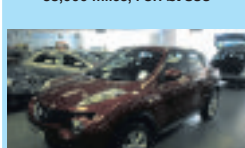
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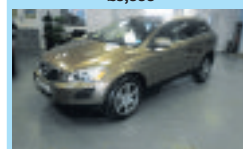
10 10 KIA SOUL 2 1.6 HATCH 5-door. Metallic Orange, 1 owner, 17,000 miles £7,799



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2010 10 VOLVO XC60 DS SE LUX AWD Metallic Bronze, full leather interior, manual, 1 owner, FSH £20,999



2011 11 VOLVO V50 R-DESIGN 2.0 Estate. Finished in Black Metallic with two tone leather interior, one owner, only 11,200 miles, FSH £13,999

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| 2009 09 | AUDI A4 2.0 TDCI S-LINE AVANT 6 Speed Manual. Metallic Black, 19in alloy wheels, 48,000 miles | SOLD |
| 2005 05 | AUDI A3 2.0 TDi SPORTBACK Automatic. Full leather, sat nav, 64,000 miles, Metallic Black, FSH | £7,499 |
| 2009 09 | AUDI A4 S-LINE 2.0TDI 6-speed, Manual Saloon, Bright Red, Full Leather, 34,000 miles, FSH | £14,999 |
| 2010 59 | ALFA ROMEO 1.4 MITO LUSSO 3-door 6-speed. Bright Red, 39,300 miles, alloy wheels, air con | £7,699 |
| 2002 52 | ALFA ROMEO SPIDER T-SPARK LUSSO Convertible. Silver Metallic, leather seats, alloy wheels, 58,100 miles | £3,699 |
| 2003 03 | BMW 320d SE SALOON Manual. Metallic Silver, 106,000 miles, FSH | £2,999 |
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| 2011 11 | BMW 116d M-Sport, 5-door. White, Manual, 18,000 miles, £30 a year tax + duty | £14,999 |
| 2007 57 | COMPASS AVANTGARDE 115 Diesel Motorhome. 2 berth, 50,000 miles, manual, excellent condition, ready for summer trip | SOLD |
| 2010 10 | CITROEN C3 PICASSO HDI EXCLUSIVE. Wicked Red Metallic, one owner, FSH, only 11,000 miles from new | £8,999 |
| 2010 10 | CITROEN C4 PICASSO VTR+ HDI 5-door. Bronze Metallic, one owner, 35,200 miles, cruise control, alloy wheels | £8,499 |
| 2002 52 | FIAT PUNTO SPORTING 3-door. Metallic Grey | £2,499 |
| 2011 11 | FIAT PUNTO 1.2 GRAND PRIX 5-door. White, one owner, low mileage | £7,299 |
| 2006 06 | FIAT PUNTO 1.2 ACTIVE 3-door. Metallic Black, 83,000 miles | £2,499 |
| 2010 59 | FORD FUSION STYLE PLUS TDCI Blue Metallic, 43,000 miles, electric windows & mirrors, alloy wheels | £6,199 |
| 2008 58 | FORD C-MAX 1.8 ZETEC Burnt Metallic Orange, 30,000 miles, privacy glass, alloys, FSH | £6,999 |
| 2010 10 | FORD KA 1.2 Z-TEC 3-door. Black Metallic, 1 owner, 22,000 miles, alloy wheels | £6,499 |
| 2006 06 | FORD FOCUS 1.6 HATCH 5-door. Metallic Grey, 67,000 miles | £3,999 |
| 2010 10 | FORD FOCUS 1.6 TDCI ZETEC Metallic Black, Manual, 1 owner, only 31,000 miles | £8,999 |
| 2009 09 | HONDA CIVIC EXEC 2.2 CDTi 5-door. Silver Metallic, full spec including panoramic roof, reverse camera, sat nav | £8,499 |
| 2008 08 | HONDA CIVIC 2.2 CDTi EX Hatchback Manual. 46,000 miles, Metallic Silver, FSH | £7,699 |
| 2008 58 | HYUNDAI GETZ 1.3 HATCH 5-door Manual. Light Metallic Blue, 50,000 miles, FSH | £3,999 |
| 2010 10 | HYUNDAI MATRIX 1.5 CRDi 5-door, Metallic Silver, 10,000 miles, FSH | £6,499 |
| 2007 57 | LAND ROVER FREELANDER 2 FS TD4 6-speed, Manual, Grey Metallic, 38,300 miles, 2 owners, privacy glass, side steps, light guards | £12,999 |
| 2006 56 | LANDROVER FREELANDER 2 TD4 HSE Manual, Metallic Red, 63,000 miles, FSH | £12,999 |
| 2006 56 | LANDROVER DISCOVERY 2.7 TDV6 7 Seater Manual. 45,000 miles, Metallic Black, side steps, FSH | SOLD |
| 2010 10 | KIA SOUL 2 1.6 HATCH 5-door. Metallic Orange, 1 owner, 17,000 miles | £7,799 |
| 2012 62 | MG 6 1.8 TURBO HATCH 5-door, Manual, 1,800 miles, White. Like brand new | £8,999 |
| 2009 59 | MINI ONE Manual, Black, 38,000 miles, FSH | £7,899 |
| 2010 10 | NISSAN QASHQAI 1.5 DCi ACCENTA Manual, Metallic Ruby Red, 25,000 miles, 1 owner, FSH | £10,999 |
| 2010 10 | NISSAN QASHQAI 1.5 DCi ACCENTA Cafe Late Metallic, 1 owner, 22,000 miles, FSH | SOLD |
| 2011 11 | NISSAN JUKE ACENTA 1.6 DCi Manual, Metallic Red, only 15,000 miles, 1 owner, FSH | £11,699 |
| 2006 56 | PEUGEOT 207 HDi GT 3-door Manual. White, 65,000 miles | £4,999 |
| 2006 56 | PEUGEOT 207 1.4 5-door. Metallic Black | SOLD |
| 2010 10 | RENAULT MODUS 1.2 EXPRESSION 5-door, Manual. Bright Blue Metallic. 1 owner, 42,000 miles, FSH | £5,499 |
| 2010 10 | RENAULT MEGANE 1.5 DCi DYNAMIQUE 5-door. Tom Tom, Extreme Blue, one owner, 15,000 miles, £30 road tax | £8,799 |
| 2009 59 | RENAULT CLIO 16v EXPRESSION 5-door. Metallic Silver, 25,000 miles | £5,999 |
| 2000 X | RENAULT CLIO ALIZE Automatic 5-door. White, excellent condition, FSH | £1,999 |
| 2010 10 | SEAT ALTEA XL 1.9 Diesel, Manual SE, Metallic Green, 1 owner, 30,000 miles, FSH | £9,499 |
| 2003 53 | SKODA FABIA 1.4 5-dr Hatchback. Blue, FSH | SOLD |
| 2007 57 | TOYOTA RAV 4 2.2 XTR 5-dr Diesel. Grey Metallic, one owner, 6 speed box, dual acc electronic sunroof, side steps, alloy wheels, only 21,000 miles | £11,799 |
| 2006 06 | TOYOTA AVENTIS 1.8 VVTi Hatch back, Manual only, 33,000 miles, FSH, Metallic Silver | £4,499 |
| 2006 56 | VAUXHALL ZAFIRA 2.2 DESIGN Manual, 7 Seater. 54,000 miles, Metallic Silver | SOLD |
| 2005 05 | VAUXHALL ASTRA 1.8 CONVERTIBLE BERTONE LTD EDT Metallic Silver, 66,000 miles | £3,999 |
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| 2007 07 | VAUXHALL ASTRA 1.3 CDTi 5-door, Manual, Metallic Silver, 37,000 miles, FSH | SOLD |
| 2007 07 | VAUXHALL CORSA SXi 1.4 3-door, Metallic Black, A/C, 82,000 miles | SOLD |
| 2006 56 | VAUXHALL CORSA 1.2 SXi 5-door. Metallic Black, 52,000 miles, AC, FSH | £4,999 |
| 2008 08 | VAUXHALL MERIVA 1.6 BREEZE HATCH 5-door Manual. Metallic Blue, 31,000 miles | £5,499 |
| 2003 03 | VAUXHALL VECTRA 2.0 DTi Saloon Manual. Metallic Blue, 52,000 miles | £2,499 |
| 2011 11 | VOLVO V50 R-DESIGN 2.0 Estate. Finished in Black Metallic with two tone leather interior, one owner, only 11,200 miles, FSH | £13,999 |
| 2008 08 | VOLVO XC90 DE SE Geartronic, 7 Seats, 43,000 miles, half leather interior FSH Graphite Grey Metallic | £17,999 |
| 2010 60 | VOLVO XC60 D3 SE Manual Diesel. Bright White, 29,000 miles, FSH, privacy glass | SOLD |
| 2010 10 | VOLVO XC60 DS SE LUX AWD Metallic Bronze, full leather interior, manual, 1 owner, FSH | £20,999 |
| 2005 05 | VW BORA 1.9 TDi HIGHLINE Automatic. Silver Metallic, Grey leather, 91,400 miles, full service history | £3,999 |
| 2009 59 | VW PASSAT 2.0 TDi 170bhp HIGH LINE 6-speed, Manual. Metallic Grey, full leather, only 31,000 miles | £12,499 |
| 2010 10 | VW PASSAT CC 2.0 TDi 140bhp 6-speed Manual. Metallic black, 35,000 miles, FSH | £12,999 |
| 2008 58 | VW GOLF 2.0 TDi ESTATE SE Automatic. Metallic Silver, 35,000 miles, FSH | SOLD |
| 2010 60 | VOLKSWAGEN POLO 1.6 TDi SEL 3-door Manual. Bright Red, one owner, 26,000 miles, FSH | £9,999 |

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1.4 SE 3dr



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| 46 monthly payments | £123.02 | Option to purchase fee | £10.00 |
| Deposit | NIL | Total amount payable | £9226.91 |
| Cash price (Inc VAT) | £7495.00 | Miles per annum | 6,000 |
| Duration | 48 months | Excess mileage charge | 2.35p |
| Amount to finance | £7495.00 | Fixed rate | 6.8% |
| Interest charges | £1731.91 | APR | 8.1% |
| 1 Final payment of | £3444.97 | | |

11 Reg Ford Fiesta
1.4 TDCi Zetec 5dr



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| 46 monthly payments | £124.65 | Option to purchase fee | £10.00 |
| Deposit | NIL | Total amount payable | £9332.13 |
| Cash price (Inc VAT) | £7495.00 | Miles per annum | 6,000 |
| Duration | 48 months | Excess mileage charge | 2.79p |
| Amount to finance | £7495.00 | Fixed rate | 7.3% |
| Interest charges | £1837.13 | APR | 8.6% |
| 1 Final payment of | £3473.58 | | |

12 Reg Fiat 500
1.2 Lounge 3dr



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| 46 monthly payments | £127.49 | Option to purchase fee | £10.00 |
| Deposit | NIL | Total amount payable | £9843.37 |
| Cash price (Inc VAT) | £7995.00 | Miles per annum | 6,000 |
| Duration | 48 months | Excess mileage charge | 2.30p |
| Amount to finance | £7995.00 | Fixed rate | 6.8% |
| Interest charges | £1848.37 | APR | 8.0% |
| 1 Final payment of | £3851.34 | | |

11 Reg Vauxhall Astra
2.0 CDTi SRI 5dr



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| 46 monthly payments | £129.91 | Option to purchase fee | £10.00 |
| Deposit | £1000.00 | Total amount payable | £10990.95 |
| Cash price (Inc VAT) | £8995.00 | Miles per annum | 6,000 |
| Duration | 48 months | Excess mileage charge | 3.04p |
| Amount to finance | £8995.00 | Fixed rate | 7.5% |
| Interest charges | £1995.00 | APR | 8.6% |
| 1 Final payment of | £3885.18 | | |

11 Reg Ford Focus
1.6 TDCi Sport 5dr



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| 46 monthly payments | £129.68 | Option to purchase fee | £10.00 |
| Deposit | £1200.00 | Total amount payable | £10939.07 |
| Cash price (Inc VAT) | £8995.00 | Miles per annum | 6,000 |
| Duration | 48 months | Excess mileage charge | 2.96p |
| Amount to finance | £8995.00 | Fixed rate | 7.5% |
| Interest charges | £1944.07 | APR | 8.7% |
| 1 Final payment of | £3644.11 | | |

10 Reg Vauxhall Zafira
1.7 CDTi EcoFlex Exclusiv 5dr



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| 46 monthly payments | £128.38 | Option to purchase fee | £10.00 |
| Deposit | £1000.00 | Total amount payable | £10347.86 |
| Cash price (Inc VAT) | £8495.00 | Miles per annum | 6,000 |
| Duration | 48 months | Excess mileage charge | 1.80p |
| Amount to finance | £8495.00 | Fixed rate | 7.5% |
| Interest charges | £1852.86 | APR | 8.7% |
| 1 Final payment of | £3314.00 | | |

61 Reg Seat Leon
2.0 TDi 140 FR 5dr



Representative Example:

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| 46 monthly payments of | £128.08 | Option to purchase fee | £10.00 |
| Deposit | £2600.00 | Total amount payable | £13691.01 |
| Cash price (Inc VAT) | £11495.00 | Miles per annum | 6,000 |
| Duration | 48 months | Excess mileage charge | 3.30p |
| Amount to finance | £8895.00 | Fixed rate | 7.1% |
| Interest charges | £2196.01 | Representative APR | 8.1% |
| 1 Final payment of | £5071.25 | | |

10 Reg Fiat Punto



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| Cash Price & Total Payable | Deposit | 260 Weekly Payments of |
| £4995 Nil | Nil | £19.21 |
| 0%APR | | |

10 Reg Peugeot 207



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| Cash Price & Total Payable | Deposit | 260 Weekly Payments of |
| £5595 Nil | Nil | £21.51 |
| 0%APR | | |

59 Reg Vauxhall Corsa



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| £4995 Nil | Nil | £19.21 |
| 0%APR | | |

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SPORT

Surssine and showers fails to halt harness race fun

IT WAS an evening of sunshine and showers at the Mid Wales and Border Harness Racing meeting at Newbridge. But the weather did nothing to dampen the vibrant atmosphere created by a large crowd of local and not so local supporters.

In the first Nursery Emrys Thomas from Llanbister brought home his father's C U Choteau in front of first time out Rhys Ponton (Williams Brecon) with Caenwood Milyn (Bufton Dolau) in third.

Secret Agenda (Duggan Llangunllo) gave Jackie John new Duggan a successful return to the track ahead of Highbrooks Eternal (Williams Merthyr) and Hendre Yankee (Woolcock Ammanford).

Haberley Haste the new horse belonging to the Lloyd family from New Radnor swept all before him in the first Novice heat aided by his trainer Andrew Hardwick, beating Derno Duke (Wozencraft Llangurig) who is so often

placed second while Beacons Sorcerer (Bevan Llanddewi) is another horse always in the shake up came in third. Blackies Boy (Prosser Libanus) has been making mistakes this season but seems to have sorted things out and also driven by Andrew Hardwick produced a superb run to win the second Novice heat from Merefild Jack (Broome Bromfield) and Precious Cargo (Gwatkin Evenjobb).

Nursery

Abernant (Greenway Michaelchurch Eskley) was quick off the mark in the first Grade B heat to win from Greenhill Cliff (Williams Brecon) with Brywys Ducklyn (Gethin Gilwern) in third.

Kickstart provided trainer Andrew Hardwick with another winning drive in the second heat of the Grade B for the Williams family from Brecon coming home in front of Holmes Dreamer (Eggerton Staunton) and Too Hot

Today (Jones Merthyr). In the first Grade A heat Immpartial scored his first win for the Herlihy family from Merthyr while

Bon Jasper (Jones Llanllwni) was second and Meadowbranch Mike (Hitchecock Haverfordwest) was third.

The Red Devil (Greenway Michaelchurch Eskley) looked back to his best in the second heat of the Grade A coming home in front of Merrington Man (Thomas Rhymney) with the backmarker Strike a Light (Lloyd Kington) in third.

Emrys Thomas from Llanbister drove his own C U Choteau in the first Baby Novice and they repeated their nursery win beating Fitch (Harries Merthyr) and Greenwood Romeo (Duggan Llangunllo).

In the second Baby Novice Glan Kirsty (Evans Talgarreg) began her climb up the racing ladder under the capable guidance of young Dale Williams from Brecon, in second

was Marys Jack (Jones Church Stretton) with Ithon GB (Williams Brecon) in third.

Goldness with first time owner Lee Evans from Llanwrtyd on board was the winner of the third Baby Novice beating Finnbar Messenger (Meaney Merthyr) and Kerry Ann Lobell (Greenway Michaelchurch Eskley).

Handicap

All three Baby Novice experiencing the first wins of their careers. The saddle race provided another win for Sunnyside Geoff (Williams Brecon) and Rebecca Hitchcock with Secret Agenda (Duggan Llangunllo) in second and Dragon Penlan (Barton Clunderwen) third.

In the Dash Ithon Ghost just got up to win for the Wilson family from Llanfihangel arth with Maple Star (Perks Presteigne) in second and Greenhill Emily (Morgan Rhymney) third.

The evening was completed with the three finals.

In the Novice final Haberley Haste (Lloyd New Radnor) held on to give Andrew Hardwick another win with Derno Duke (Wozencraft Llangurig) claiming another second and Llwyns Hall (White Porthcawl) in third.

Dale Williams from Brecon claimed his second win of the day when he was aboard his own Greenhill Cliff in the Grade B final finishing ahead of Kickstart (Williams Brecon) and Holmes Dreamer (Eggerton Staunton).

In the Grade A final the mare belonging to the Lloyd family from Kington Strike a Light trailing 50 yards made nothing of her handicap to power home with Mathew Herlihy in the seat, while Bon Jasper (Jones Llanllwni) was second and Merrington Man (Thomas Rhymney) was third.

After a lovely, traditional, evening trotting meeting the next race meeting is staged by the Llandrindod committee will be at Penybont on Bank Holiday Monday August 26.

League tables and results

Salop Leisure Senior Citizens Bowling League

Division one: Corfel 6, Meole Brace B 9; Church Stretton A 7, Hadnall A 1; Meole Brace A 3, Wern Albion A 5; Teleport 7, Oswestry Church A 1; Oxon A 2, Reman A 6.

Division two: Union 5, Bagley A 3; Greenfields A 5, Bilton A 3; Llanyrhader A 5; Baschurch A 3; Meole Brace F 4; Severnside A 4; Pontesbury D 6, Prince of Wales 2; Bilton B 5, Dorrington 3; Bayston Hill A 7, Oxon B 1.

Division three: Reman B 7, Harwood 1; Alchem A 6, Greenfields C 2; Meole Brace C 7, Llanyrhader B 7; Severnside B 6, Meole Brace E 2; Wern Albion B 5, Pontesbury E 3; SAHA B 6, Alchem B 2.

Division four: Severnside C 3, Ford 5; Minsterley 6, Meole Brace D 2; Pontesbury C 5, Severnside D 3; Baschurch B 1, Worthington 7; Oswestry Church B 8, SAHA C 0; Bagley B 8, Preston Brookhurst 0.

| DIVISION 1 | | | | |
|-------------------|----|----|---|------------|
| P | W | D | L | Agg Pts |
| Pontesbury A | 19 | 15 | 1 | 3 334 103 |
| Teleport | 21 | 15 | 0 | 6 244 103 |
| Reman A | 21 | 14 | 0 | 7 225 102 |
| Church Stretton A | 21 | 12 | 2 | 7 199 99 |
| Oswestry Church A | 21 | 10 | 2 | 9 102 92 |
| Old Shrewsbury | 20 | 12 | 0 | 10 100 90 |
| Pontesbury B | 21 | 8 | 1 | 2 3 63 |
| Meole A | 21 | 10 | 1 | 10 -14 82 |
| Wern Albion A | 21 | 9 | 0 | 12 -73 79 |
| Corfel | 21 | 6 | 2 | 13 -112 70 |
| Meole B | 21 | 8 | 0 | 13 -157 70 |
| Hadnall A | 21 | 7 | 1 | 13 -304 67 |
| SAHA A | 20 | 8 | 0 | 12 -216 65 |
| Oxon A | 21 | 5 | 2 | 14 -331 55 |

| DIVISION 2 | | | | |
|-----------------|----|----|---|------------|
| P | W | D | L | Agg Pts |
| Greenfields A | 21 | 15 | 1 | 5 393 108 |
| Severnside A | 20 | 13 | 3 | 4 307 107 |
| Bayston Hill A | 21 | 14 | 0 | 7 221 104 |
| Bagley A | 21 | 12 | 0 | 9 135 99 |
| Pontesbury D | 20 | 10 | 1 | 9 114 89 |
| Dorrington | 21 | 9 | 0 | 12 70 86 |
| Union | 21 | 10 | 4 | 7 7 80 |
| Prince of Wales | 21 | 10 | 0 | 11 -83 80 |
| Llanyrhader A | 21 | 10 | 1 | 11 -93 78 |
| Oxon B | 21 | 8 | 0 | 13 -117 73 |
| Bilton B | 21 | 10 | 0 | 11 -124 72 |
| Baschurch A | 21 | 6 | 1 | 14 -218 65 |
| Meole F | 21 | 3 | 2 | 16 -443 51 |

| DIVISION 3 | | | | |
|----------------|----|----|---|------------|
| P | W | D | L | Agg Pts |
| Llanyrhader B | 21 | 15 | 0 | 6 688 122 |
| Meole C | 21 | 17 | 0 | 4 456 117 |
| Pontesbury E | 21 | 14 | 0 | 7 205 104 |
| Reman B | 21 | 14 | 0 | 7 189 98 |
| Severnside B | 21 | 11 | 0 | 10 87 94 |
| Meole E | 21 | 12 | 0 | 9 182 91 |
| Greenfields C | 21 | 12 | 0 | 9 60 91 |
| Alchem A | 21 | 12 | 0 | 9 70 89 |
| SAHA B | 20 | 9 | 0 | 11 -137 73 |
| Llanyrhader B | 21 | 8 | 0 | 13 -224 72 |
| Wern Albion B | 21 | 9 | 0 | 15 -245 70 |
| Harwood | 21 | 9 | 0 | 16 -329 59 |
| Alchem B | 21 | 6 | 0 | 15 -427 55 |
| Bayston Hill B | 20 | 2 | 0 | 18 -552 34 |

| DIVISION 4 | | | | |
|----------------------|----|----|---|------------|
| P | W | D | L | Agg Pts |
| Oswestry Church B | 21 | 18 | 0 | 3 844 135 |
| Church Stretton B | 20 | 12 | 5 | 5 315 108 |
| Ford | 21 | 15 | 1 | 5 373 107 |
| Minsterley | 21 | 16 | 0 | 5 256 103 |
| Severnside D | 21 | 12 | 0 | 11 -3 88 |
| Hadnall B | 21 | 9 | 1 | 9 104 77 |
| Pontesbury C | 21 | 9 | 2 | 10 77 84 |
| Preston Brookhurst | 21 | 9 | 2 | 10 -47 81 |
| Worthington & Bickin | 21 | 9 | 0 | 15 245 70 |
| Bagley B | 21 | 8 | 3 | 10 -184 75 |
| SAHA C | 20 | 5 | 1 | 14 -416 59 |
| Severnside C | 21 | 5 | 2 | 15 -245 56 |
| Meole D | 21 | 3 | 1 | 17 -455 51 |
| Baschurch B | 21 | 4 | 0 | 17 -468 51 |

Crifftins B move closer to third division crown after thumping 9-1 home victory

LEADERS Crifftins B moved a step closer to the Oswestry and District Bowls League third division title with a thumping 9-1 (165-117) home win over Flexsly B.

Peter Griffiths took the sweep with a 24-18 verdict, Ian Miner won 21-12 and Elliot Mochan and Robbie Hughes both prevailed 21-13.

Victory means the leaders have now extended their advantage at the top to eight points from second placed CRIFFTINS C, who also remain on course for promotion following their 7-3 (151-127) away win at Chirk B. Terry Lewis took the coppers 21-8 and Lenny Jones won to nine.

CHURCH C, now in sixth, lost ground after slumping 8-2 (159-121) at Royston, their two replies coming through Wendy Humphreys (21-16) and Neil Williams (21-17).

Revised WHITTINGTON E moved up to third spot with a 7-3 (132-126) home win over Overton B, with Kevin Williams (21-7) taking the coppers and Brian Charles winning 21-12.

Third bottom WESTON RHYN C took another step towards safety with

a 7-3 home win over Plas Kynaston A - but it was close with just three shots (145-142) separating the sides.

John Gale led the way with a 21-7 win, while Gerry Owen chipped in with a 21-15 success as Rhyn moved eight points clear of the bottom two places.

AFTER the previous week's loss, high flying ELLESMERE A got their title pursuit right back on track in division four with a 10-0 (168-99) whitewash of Llanyngog C.

Reverse

Victory now sees the Meresiders cement pole position, and they are now nine points clear of their closest rivals and own B team in second spot.

Three single figure successes set the scene for their side's 15th win of the campaign, with Tony Johnson taking the coppers 21-4, while Darren Matthews and Sybil Metcalfe won to eight and nine respectively.

ELLESMERE B lost ground on the leaders after their 8-2 reverse at Corwen B who clinched a 150-129 aggregate success.

Mike Edwards (21-5) and Jeffrey

Birkett (21-19) were the lone responses for the hosts but, despite the defeat, they are still looking good for runners-up spot with just three matches remaining.

Third placed FOX LANE are still 12 points outside the promotion places, despite their 7-3 (142-128) win at relegation haunted CHURCH D, Mike Haycocks (21-7) continuing his good form for the visitors.

David Jones (21-8) and Norma Edwards (21-7) responded for Church who remain entrenched in the bottom two. Wins from Jack Worden (21-10) and Basil Kirkham (21-11) helped fifth placed LLANYMYNECH B to a 7-3 home success over Ceirig Valley C.

One place below, LLANRHAEDR C ran out 8-2 (164-142) winners against visitors WESTON RHYN B to cement their place in the top half of the table.

Bill Peel (21-12) and Mel Roberts (21-13) were the best for the victors, while Pam Manley (21-20) and Margaret White (21-18) replied for third bottom Rhyn who continue to flirt with relegation danger.

Defending champs win but are still nine points adrift

Crusaders close gap on leaders



Crusaders Rob Massam who scored two tries in the 54-10 win over Oxford

NORTH WALES CRUSADERS closed the gap between themselves and Oldham Roughyeds to four points with a 54-10 victory over Oxford, **writes Ryan Gould.**

With table-topping Oldham's season over, Crusaders' destiny now lies in their own hands and they kept on track for automatic promotion from Championship One with a superb second-half showing.

Simon Stephens' try took Crusaders into an early lead, although a quickfire double from Shaun Robinson put Oxford ahead.

Crusaders opened the scoring when Stephens collected a short ball from Dave McConnell and touched down underneath the posts.

But a mixture of errors and poor discipline on the home side's part gifted Oxford plenty of field position.

And the visitors took full advantage as they turned the game on its head. Sean Morris' pass sent Robinson in at the corner and the latter crossed again moments later, this time from a superb cut-out pass from Martin Roden at acting half. However, Crusaders came up with a quick response, Steve Bannister crossing in the right corner after Andy Mouldsdale popped the ball out to him after a break.

And Rob Massam added a fourth for North Wales when he took advantage of a loose pass on the left edge to race clear and score underneath the posts.

Crusaders built on their lead within a couple of minutes off the restart as a perfectly timed pass from Tommy Johnson sent Leon Brennan through a gap.

Brennan added Crusaders' fifth before Stephens capitalised on an error in-goal to touch down next to the posts.

Massam and Brennan crossed for their second and third tries respectively and then the try of the game finished an impressive win in style.

After Oxford knocked on near halfway, Jono Smith collected the ball and grub-kicked ahead, collecting the ball before popping it out to Andy Gorski who, in turn, put Bannister over for his second.

Ifton take positives from defeat

IFTON could take positives despite going down 10-4 (234-170) at Wrockwardine Wood - a defeat that keeps them in the lower reaches of the Flowfit Shropshire Premier Bowls League.

The reverse sees the St Martins side lying third from bottom, although still 21 points above table proppers Archibald Worthington.

Skipper Dicky Jones, whose side are in need of a solid win at home to St Georges on Friday night, remains positive.

"We were again struggling to put a side

out last week, but having said that, it was a respectable result as not many teams go there and get four winners," he said.

"Although we're third from bottom, we should be okay as we've still got three home games remaining."

Leighton Roberts took his team's most valuable player honour last week, winning 21-16 against Phil Clew, while the biggest win for the visitors came from Geraint Williams, to 14.

Skipper Dicky Jones won 21-19 and Matt Lewis 21-17.

Super Luke records the fastest time of season

FOR the penultimate race of this year, Oswestry Paragon CC were back on the Queens Head-Gobowen course.

Again the event proved popular with 20 riders taking to the line on another dry evening.

It was Luke Grivell-Mellor of Rapha Condor JLT who crossed the line first in 21 minutes and two seconds - the fastest time of the year so far - despite it being the first outing on his time trial bike since March. Second place went to Jef Outwaite of Black Country Tri in 22-57.

Andy Howell was the fastest Paragon rider finishing third in 23-10 and edging closer to his target of a 22 minute ride.

Riding his first 10 of the year Lee Williams of OO Tri took fourth place in 23-37. Will Pickles of Marches CC slashed over a minute of his previous best to finish fifth was also the quickest junior with a time of 24-36.

Rob Kerr finished sixth in 24-41 ahead of Paragon team mate Robert Rees (25-06).

Chris Marrs of Mid Shropshire Wheelers took eighth place in 25-44 ahead of Glyn Jones (26-46).

Steve Davies took 10th place in 27-13 just one second ahead of fellow Paragon Bruce Selby.

Fastest lady was Jan Rogers of Chester Tri in 27-45 ahead of Kim Norman of Fibrax-Wrexham (28-46).

Tomorrow (Fri) is the final Paragon time trial this year and starts at 7pm.

Bowls fixtures

Next week's Oswestry bowls fixtures: Tuesday, August 27: Div One: Llanymynech v Ceirig Valley A, Church A v Corwen A, Chirk A v Johnstown A, Overton A v Ruabon A, Crifftins A v Weston Rhyn A, Flexsly A v Whittington A.

Div Two: Whittington B v Church B, Cynwyd B v Johnstown B, Johnstown B v Llanyngog A, George v Llanyrhader A, Llanyngog A v Ye Olde Crotte A.

Wednesday August 28 - Div Two: Johnstown C v Black Lion.

League tables

| Oswestry Bowling League | | | | |
|-------------------------|----|----|--------|-----|
| DIVISION 1 (VETERANS) | | | | |
| P | W | L | Agg | Pts |
| Weston Rhyn A | 17 | 13 | 4+538 | 95 |
| Chirk AAA | 17 | 10 | 7+371 | 91 |
| Whittington B | 17 | 11 | 6+21 | 84 |
| Llanyngog | 17 | 8 | 9+83 | 79 |
| Llanymynech | 17 | 11 | 6-86 | 79 |
| Church Club A | 17 | 7 | 10+40 | 78 |
| Overton A | 17 | 9 | 8+32 | 78 |
| Royston | 17 | 7 | 10-155 | 70 |
| Ceirig Valley | 17 | 4 | 13-372 | 58 |
| Weston Rhyn B | 17 | 1 | 11-472 | 53 |
| DIVISION 2 (VETERANS) | | | | |
| P | W | L | Agg | Pts |
| Flexsly | 17 | 15 | 2+267 | 119 |
| Llanyngog | 17 | 14 | 3+699 | 110 |
| Llanyrhader A | 17 | 10 | 7+230 | 84 |
| Cynwyd A | 17 | 11 | 8+125 | 81 |
| Y O Crotte | 17 | 9 | 8+88 | 80 |
| Cynwyd B | 17 | 6 | 11+248 | 69 |
| Whittington A | 17 | 5 | 12-397 | 59 |
| Church Club B | 17 | 6 | 11-364 | 58 |
| Overton B | 17 | 4 | 13-648 | 53 |
| Llanyrhader B | 17 | 5 | 12-452 | 52 |

SPORT

League tables

Birmingham & District Premier Cricket League

| PREMIER DIVISION | | | | |
|--------------------|----|---|---|------------|
| P | W | L | A | BatBwl Pts |
| Shrewsbury | 17 | 5 | 2 | 15 20 294 |
| Brom Brom | 17 | 4 | 3 | 18 16 239 |
| Walsall | 17 | 4 | 3 | 19 24 220 |
| Kidderminster Vic. | 17 | 4 | 6 | 16 20 213 |
| Knowle & Dridge | 17 | 4 | 5 | 20 25 213 |
| Walsall | 17 | 4 | 5 | 20 25 213 |
| Hambleton | 17 | 4 | 6 | 21 30 195 |
| Hinckley | 17 | 5 | 2 | 18 28 188 |
| Wolverhampton | 17 | 2 | 2 | 28 37 185 |
| Berkswell | 17 | 3 | 8 | 25 28 174 |
| Walsley | 17 | 3 | 8 | 24 33 165 |
| Wombourne | 17 | 2 | 9 | 21 33 119 |

| DIVISION 1 | | | | |
|-------------------|----|---|----|------------|
| P | W | L | A | BatBwl Pts |
| Kennilworth Wndrs | 17 | 7 | 1 | 8 15 310 |
| Darlington | 17 | 6 | 1 | 12 23 271 |
| Smethwick | 17 | 3 | 3 | 15 26 242 |
| Wellington | 17 | 8 | 5 | 12 13 240 |
| Barnards Green | 17 | 7 | 5 | 20 25 226 |
| Shifnal | 17 | 4 | 5 | 18 14 194 |
| Barnsley | 17 | 3 | 10 | 29 27 182 |
| Old Hill | 17 | 2 | 6 | 17 30 182 |
| Stratford-up-Avon | 17 | 4 | 8 | 13 33 167 |
| Mosley | 17 | 1 | 9 | 30 34 167 |
| Leamington Spa | 17 | 1 | 9 | 25 27 161 |
| Brewood | 17 | 1 | 1 | 26 38 129 |

| DIVISION 2 | | | | |
|-------------------|----|---|----|-------------|
| P | W | L | A | BatBwl Pts |
| Oswestry | 17 | 2 | 4 | 1 10 10 263 |
| Harborne | 17 | 6 | 1 | 2 17 16 260 |
| Old Elizabethans | 17 | 5 | 4 | 1 20 28 238 |
| Stourbridge | 17 | 4 | 6 | 0 8 19 237 |
| Eastnor | 17 | 3 | 5 | 1 14 26 231 |
| Whitchurch | 17 | 5 | 2 | 17 22 229 |
| Halesowen | 17 | 3 | 9 | 0 20 26 196 |
| Water Orton | 17 | 1 | 9 | 0 12 21 196 |
| Stratford-up-Avon | 17 | 3 | 8 | 21 25 182 |
| Attok | 17 | 5 | 8 | 28 21 179 |
| Coventry & NW | 17 | 2 | 8 | 22 34 174 |
| Fordhouses | 17 | 1 | 13 | 1 33 21 83 |

| DIVISION 3 | | | | |
|----------------|----|----|----|-------------|
| P | W | L | A | BatBwl Pts |
| Penkridge | 17 | 11 | 1 | 0 8 7 317 |
| Tarnworth | 17 | 9 | 3 | 0 16 13 293 |
| Kings Heath | 17 | 4 | 6 | 0 17 20 241 |
| Bridgnorth | 17 | 6 | 5 | 1 16 17 240 |
| Hinckley | 17 | 4 | 5 | 22 27 228 |
| Streety | 17 | 6 | 7 | 0 22 29 219 |
| Quatt | 17 | 4 | 7 | 1 26 33 210 |
| Aston Manor | 17 | 2 | 7 | 17 26 202 |
| Milford Hall | 17 | 2 | 8 | 2 18 25 175 |
| Cannock | 17 | 3 | 9 | 0 11 30 155 |
| Worcester Nmds | 17 | 4 | 11 | 23 22 135 |
| Evesham | 17 | 0 | 16 | 0 10 35 69 |

| 2ND PREMIER DIVISION | | | | |
|----------------------|----|----|----|-------------|
| P | W | L | A | BatBwl Pts |
| Knowle & Dridge | 17 | 12 | 1 | 0 7 17 316 |
| Harborne | 17 | 6 | 4 | 0 24 23 248 |
| Old Hill | 17 | 3 | 6 | 0 17 21 227 |
| Bant Green | 17 | 7 | 7 | 12 15 217 |
| Wolverhampton | 17 | 4 | 7 | 1 15 22 204 |
| Walsley | 17 | 5 | 6 | 2 25 28 202 |
| Shrewsbury | 17 | 6 | 7 | 1 14 22 200 |
| Hinckley | 17 | 4 | 5 | 22 27 187 |
| Leamington Spa | 17 | 2 | 9 | 0 28 25 183 |
| Walsall | 17 | 2 | 9 | 1 14 30 162 |
| Mosley | 17 | 2 | 7 | 2 33 28 157 |
| Dorridge | 17 | 2 | 11 | 2 20 27 113 |

| DIVISION 1 | | | | |
|--------------------|----|----|----|-------------|
| P | W | L | A | BatBwl Pts |
| Attok | 17 | 4 | 2 | 0 27 25 294 |
| Brookhampton | 17 | 6 | 2 | 0 25 28 267 |
| Shifnal | 17 | 11 | 1 | 2 11 13 320 |
| Kidderminster Vic. | 17 | 8 | 3 | 2 12 16 250 |
| Wellington | 17 | 5 | 6 | 0 15 24 220 |
| West Brom Dmth. | 17 | 5 | 6 | 2 23 29 200 |
| Bridgnorth | 17 | 6 | 2 | 16 28 185 |
| Halesowen | 17 | 3 | 9 | 0 29 28 154 |
| Stratford-up-Avon | 17 | 2 | 9 | 1 29 29 149 |
| Tarnworth | 17 | 1 | 11 | 22 25 132 |
| Smethwick | 17 | 12 | 2 | 20 27 127 |
| Wombourne | 17 | 3 | 8 | 0 22 33 127 |

| DIVISION 2 (W) | | | | |
|-------------------|----|---|----|-------------|
| P | W | L | A | BatBwl Pts |
| Streety | 17 | 6 | 2 | 1 15 14 314 |
| Penkridge | 17 | 5 | 3 | 0 21 16 288 |
| Pen | 17 | 8 | 3 | 1 17 17 295 |
| Cannock | 17 | 7 | 3 | 1 17 20 252 |
| Aston Manor | 17 | 4 | 4 | 1 26 20 239 |
| Milford Hall | 17 | 6 | 0 | 21 26 223 |
| Stratford-up-Avon | 17 | 2 | 7 | 20 25 198 |
| Oswestry | 17 | 2 | 10 | 0 26 36 164 |
| Fordhouses | 17 | 2 | 7 | 2 23 26 161 |
| Quatt | 17 | 4 | 10 | 1 24 24 145 |
| Whitchurch | 17 | 1 | 9 | 2 26 33 133 |
| Brewood | 17 | 0 | 14 | 0 14 33 83 |

Golf Club returns

Welshpool Golf Club

A P Squibb, August 17: 1 Lionel Weaver 40 pts, 2 Ian Cadwallader 39 pts, 3 William Pritchard 38 pts, 4 R C Emberton 37 pts.

Tony Crump Cup, August 11: 1 Ian Davies 65, 2 R C Emberton 65, 3 Alan Evans 66, 4 Marc Brown 66.

The David Davies Bowl, August 10: 1 Dave A Jones, 62, 2 Gareth Ashley 64, 3 Andy Cae 65, 4 Kevin Salter 65.

In the ladies section there was a good turnout in bright sunshine to compete for the Edna Humphreys Cup on Sunday, August 18.

The fine weather produced some good scores with Delyth Jones taking the trophy with 34 points.

Heather Lawton finished second on 33 points while Linda Aldridge took 3rd place with 31 points.

Llanymynech GC results

Texas Scramble, August 17: 1 John Line, Paul Middleton, Ian Grivell & Tim Thomas 62 - 6.7 = 55.3. 2 Dave Collins, Bryn Jones. Dave Jones & Dave Evans 62 - 5.4 = 56.6. 3 Gary Owens, Jim Edwards, Roy Jones & Rob Cass 64 - 6.5 = 57.5.

Arthur Prince Cup, Sunday, August 18: 1 Roy Davenport & Bob (Tle) Jones 75 - 13.6 = 61.1. 2 Merv Pugh & Pete Humphreys 76 - 13 = 63.6. Charlie Jones & Pete Ogden 76 - 12.8 = 63.2.

Frankton so close to an impressive victory

FRANKTON's first team were left frustrated by the rain away at St. Georges when on the verge of an impressive victory against the side second in the Premier Division.

Skipper Jordan Parry won the toss and elected to bowl, and the returning Rich Parry-Jones combined well with left armer George Dickinson as the hosts struggled in the early stages.

Dickin took the key wicket of Mohammed Zaheer first ball as his seven overs only went for nine runs. Parry-Jones ended on 2-38 from a 15 over stint with opener Gareth Hughes (41) attempting to set a solid platform for the innings.

Jordan Parry then continued his rich vein of form with the ball to take his third successive five wicket haul, ending on 5-46 off 10 overs as the innings closed on 163-9 off 50 overs. Ben Byram (33) and Matthew Chesters (31 not out) offered useful contri-

butions at the lower end of the order.

The Frankton reply started poorly as they were reduced to 24-3 but opener Sam Owen dug in well to see off the new ball and in partnership with Tom Welti they put on 101 for the 4th wicket.

The constant rain showers eventually ended the game with the score on 125-3 off 30 overs and Frankton cruising towards their victory target.

Owen scored a patient 29 not out whilst Welti struck an aggressive 68 off 68 balls to increase the tempo of the chase. Home skipper Ben Byram found consistent movement early on and took 2-27 off 11 overs. Enough

overs had been bowled in the 2nd innings to constitute a game so Frankton took an 8-2 winning draw. Frankton 125-3 (13 points) winning draw vs St Georges 163-9 (5 points)

In Reserve Division Two the Frankton second string were also left frustrated by

the weather as their game was rained off when they had set an impressive total of 228-3 off 30 overs.

Danny Evans led the way with an excellent undefeated century - his first, scoring 108 not out in quick time. Evans received good support from Lloyd Phillips (52) and Andy Main (41) as Frankton piled on the runs before the heavy rain finished the game at tea. James Harris (2-55 off 8 overs) was the most successful of the Conderover 2nds bowlers.

Frankton 228-3 (11 points) abandoned Conderover 2nds (6 points).

In Division Five the 3rd XI fought back well after a moderate batting performance to claiming a winning draw against fellow mid-table team, Worfield.

Asked to bat first, solid contributions from Gareth Owen (27), James Ellis (46) and Ollie Newman (27) gave Frankton 117

for 3 after 30 overs, a good base to attack from in the final 15 overs. However, the assault never arrived, and the innings slipped disappointingly away to 164 for 7 from the allotted 45 overs.

Greg Summers (28) and Euan Wentworth (34) gave Worfield a good start with an opening stand of 44 from their first 10 overs. Thereafter the Frankton bowlers took control, conceding just 35 runs from the next 25 overs.

Leading the way was young Jack Hutchinson, whose 8 overs cost only 14 runs, while Will Smith was even more frugal, taking 1 for 5 from his 6 overs. Evenett (22) and Jones (31 not out) came to the crease too late, but their late flurry was interrupted by James Wigley's two wickets, as they closed on 149 for 6, 15 runs short.

The result was match drawn with Frankton 3rd 11 points and Worfield 3rd 8 points.

Top class batting display in vain as rain ends game

AN excellent batting performance by Oswestry was all in vain as rain ended proceedings before opponents Coventry and North Warwickshire could start their innings at Morda Road on Saturday.

Oswestry picked up nine points from the game, and with second-placed Harborne winning, Mark Robinson's side saw their lead cut to 23 points at the top of the Birmingham League Division Two.

On the plus side, however, the teams in third and fourth places, Old Elizabethans and Stourbridge, both lost to teams in the bottom three - which means Oswestry now need 56 points from their last five games to be certain of promotion.

Warrick Fynn (79) dominated the early part of the Oswestry innings, sharing a stand of 87 for the third wicket with Joe Carrasco (33).

But the real fireworks came towards the end of the innings when Dean Suter led a fierce assault on the visiting bowlers.

Suter hit 56no and Ryan Fynn 37 as Oswestry smashed 110 runs of their last ten overs - but then the heavens opened leaving them on 275-7 after 50 overs.

An unbeaten century by skipper Steve Humphreys led OSWESTRY II to a crushing victory over Brewood II in the Birmingham League 2nd XI division two (north).Humphreys hit

CRICKET
by John Bridgwater



135no, including 18 fours and two sixes, and shared an opening stand of 172 with Josh Coleridge (74).

John Kirk joined in the fun with 32, and the Oswestry innings closed on 274-2.

Brewood never looked like reaching their target after Jonathan Davies (3-27) and Ian Davies (3-29)

took early wickets.

Young spinners Dan Renwick and Xavie Clarke bowled well without success and it was left to another youngster, Alex Roberts, to finish off the innings with a devastating spell of 4-6 off just 2.3 overs on his Birmingham League debut.

Brewood's final total was 123, giving Oswestry victory by 151 runs.

OSWESTRY II went down to a last-over defeat at Chelmarsh in an exciting Shropshire League Division Three match.

Adam Huxley (53), Richard Jones (35) and skipper Adam Woodcock (35) led the way as Oswestry reached 181-9 off their allotted 30 overs.

Jones then took 3-25 and Iwan Roberts 2-27 in the Chelmarsh innings, but the home side just edged home on 182-8 with four balls to spare.

Rivals

OSWESTRY IV's game at Iscody and Penns Bank II was rained off after the visitors had spent most of the afternoon chasing leather.

Mark Motterhead scored 145no as Iscody rattled up 265-3, with Leo Kerr taking 2-36 for Oswestry.

Allan Morris (37no) and Jim Phillips (23) were the chief contributors in Oswestry's reply, which was halted by rain on 125-6 off 32 overs.

● Oswestry face a crucial double header in their title bid this weekend, when they travel to Eastnor on Saturday, and to promotion rivals Stourbridge on Bank Holiday Monday.

The Seconds take on Penn at Morda Road on Saturday, and entertain Stourbridge on Monday.

Oswestry Thirds visit Harcourt on Saturday, when the Fourths play a home game against Tibberton Seconds at Overton CC.



Warrick Fynn hammered 79 runs - but it was all in vain because of the rain

Bedouins all geared up for annual charity day

IT'S not just cricket when the Bedouins CC stage their annual charity day at the Oswestry's Morda Road ground this Sunday.

Indeed, the highlight for many will be the Full Monty Tribute act at the climax of the event, which has raised more than £20,000 over the last four years.

This year's charity is the Oswestry Bone Cancer Centre Appeal.

The cricket knockout starts at 10am, and there should be some excellent entertainment as most of Oswestry's league players will be taking part.

The fun day starts at 1pm, and there will be a bottle stall, cake stall, barbecue, golf and football games, bouncy

castle and children's rides. Raffle tickets will be on sale throughout the day and the raffle will be drawn at 6pm.

In the evening there will be live music provided by Paul Robinson; the evening auction will take place at 9pm, and the event will finish with a disco.

"With free entry, and non members and children very welcome, we hope to attract lots of interest for both the fun day and evening entertainment."

"We would like to thank everyone who has donated auction/raffle prizes and bottles for the bottle stall," said co-organiser Andy Hall.

Anyone wanting to make a donation or more information should ring Andy on 07764 178026.

Oswestry set for new season with new coach



Gareth Barrett

OSWESTRY RFC are playing Shropshire's newest club Church Stretton on Thursday, August 29, as part of their pre-season training.

The Eagles start the season properly on Saturday, August 31, away at Wallasey in the Cheshire Cup and start league action a week later at home to Morea.

The club has a new coach this year. South Walian Gareth Barrett is a level 3 coach who has coached several Shropshire age group sides in previous roles.

Gareth said: "Oswestry has a lot of talented players, I am looking forward to working with them and creating a successful rugby team that the town can be proud of."

Oswestry Chairman Steve Charmley said: "I am delighted to have Gareth on board, he brings a lot of new ideas to the club, I'm sure he will be a real asset."

"It feels like it will be a special year at Park Hall already."

League tables and results

Mercian Regional Football League

14th August
Premier division: Bridgnorth Town Reserves 2, Ketley Bank 2; FC Hodnet 2, Pres 0; Madeley Sports 0, Oakengates Athletic 3; Wellington Amateurs Reserves 1, Tetford Juniors 6; Weston Rhyn 3, Morda Utd 3; Whitchurch Alport Reserves 1, Aliscott 1.

Division one: Cleie Hill 4, Brown Cleie 3; Oswestry Town 2, Oswestry Villa 1; Harwood Utd Reserves 6, Meole Brace 1; Hopesgate 1, Bishops Castle Town 3; Oakengates Rangers 0, Dawley Town 3; Shrewsbury Utd 1, Rock Rovers 12.
Division two: Albrighton Juniors 0, Claverley 4; Highley Miners Welfare 2, Ludlow Town Colts 2; Market Drayton Tigers 12, Denso 1; Oswestry Villa Reserves 2, Shrewsbury Utd Reserves 3; Spalla Britannia 0, AFC Broseley 9; Woodwardine Wood 5, Donnington Sports and Social 1.

17th August
Premier division: Ketley Town 3, Aliscott 1; Madeley Sports 3, Bridgnorth Town Reserves 0; Pres 2, Whitchurch Alport Reserves 0.

Division one: Dawley Town 1, Cleie Hill 1; Oswestry Town 4, Shawbury Utd Reserves 0; Rock Rovers 1, Childs Ercall 5; Woodwardine Wood Juniors 3, Hopesgate Utd 2; Shrewsbury Utd 3, Brown Cleie 4.

Division two: AFC Broseley 5, Claverley 0; AFC Wellington 5, Oswestry Villa Reserves 1; Denso 0, Highley Miners Welfare 2; Ludlow Town Colts 2, Impact Utd 3; Market Drayton Tigers 2, Woodwardine Wood 2.

| P | W | L | F | AGO | Pts |
|-------------------|---|---|---|-----|-----|
| Telford Juniors | 2 | 0 | 8 | 1 | 7 |
| Oakengates Ath | 2 | 2 | 0 | 7 | 1 |
| Morda United | 2 | 1 | 0 | 6 | 5 |
| Whitchurch Alp R | 3 | 1 | 1 | 4 | 4 |
| Ketley Town | 1 | 0 | 3 | 1 | 2 |
| Church Stretton | 1 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 1 |
| FC Hodnet | 2 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 3 |
| Shifnal United 97 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 |
| Pres | 3 | 1 | 2 | 4 | 5 |
| Madeley Sports | 3 | 1 | 2 | 4 | 3 |
| Aliscott | 3 | 0 | 1 | 3 | 5 |
| Weston Rhyn | 2 | 0 | 1 | 3 | 5 |
| Ketley Bank Utd | 0 | 0 | 3 | 7 | 1 |
| Bornth Town R | 3 | 0 | 2 | 3 | 7 |
| Wellington Am R | 2 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 7 |

| | DIVISION 1 | | | | | |
|-----------------------|------------|---|----|---|-----|-----|
| | P | W | L | F | AGD | Pts |
| Oswestry Town..... | 3 | 0 | 14 | 3 | 11 | 9 |
| Dawley Town..... | 2 | 0 | 8 | 4 | 4 | 7 |
| Childs Ercall..... | 2 | 0 | 13 | 4 | 1 | 6 |
| Bishops Castle T..... | 2 | 0 | 6 | 2 | 4 | 4 |
| Cleie Hill..... | 2 | 1 | 0 | 5 | 2 | 4 |
| Rock Rovers FC..... | 2 | 1 | 13 | 6 | 7 | 3 |
| Harwood Utd Res..... | 1 | 0 | 6 | 1 | 5 | 3 |
| Oswestry Villa..... | 2 | 1 | 6 | 4 | 2 | 3 |
| Wrock Wood Jms..... | 2 | 1 | 6 | 6 | 0 | 3 |
| Hopesgate United..... | 3 | 0 | 2 | 7 | 10 | 3 |
| Oakengates Rang..... | 2 | 0 | 1 | 4 | 7 | 3 |
| Brown Cleie Hill..... | 3 | 1 | 2 | 8 | 10 | 2 |
| Shawbury Utd R..... | 2 | 0 | 2 | 2 | 9 | 7 |
| Meole Brace..... | 2 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 14 | 3 |
| Shrewsbury Utd..... | 3 | 0 | 3 | 6 | 24 | 18 |

SPORT

Nine-goal United off to Welsh Cup flyer

LLANFAIR United made a storming start to the season as they swept aside visiting Kerry 9-1 in the Welsh Cup preliminary round.

Newly promoted to the Spar Mid Wales League division one this term, Rhys Stephens' side proved too hot to handle as Geraint Jones and Dan Jones both scored hat-tricks to keep their flag flying in the cup in emphatic style.

Paul Griffiths scored twice, with Andrew Hughes also on the scoresheet.

However, it was the end of the road for LLANFYLLIN who made an early cup exit when crashing out 7-0 at Presteigne.

The hosts won at a canter through a Nick Evans brace, while Joe Maygothling, Sam Maygothling, Callum Mat-thews, Adam Farmer and Danny Ives also found the net.

Winners

It's been a good start to the season for WATERLOO ROVERS who launched their Spar Mid Wales League division one campaign with a 1-0 success over Aberaeron at Maes-y-dre.

Scott Holly scoring the game's only goal.

A few days earlier, the Rovers lifted the Spar Mid Wales League Summer Cup with a 6-0 hammering of Llanidloes Town with Charlie Proctor and Ricky Litchfield both scoring twice.

MONTGOMERY, who lost the bulk of their side as well as manager Clive McNamee during the close season, were beaten 3-0 at Builth Wells on the opening day while Bow Street won 2-1 at Dolgellau.

A strike from Tom Reynolds late in the first half proved enough for WELSHPOOL TOWN to open their season with a 1-0 win at Llansantffraid Village.

In the day's only division two action, Knighton Town were 5-3 winners at home to Rhosgoch.



Scott Bright who scored twice for Oswestry Town

Town maintain great start to the season

FC Oswestry Town maintained their flying start in the Mercian Regional League division one as they made it three wins out of three with a 4-0 home success against Shawbury United Reserves at Park Hall.

After first week victories against Shrewsbury United (8-2) and neighbours Oswestry Villa (2-1), Town – formerly Oswestry Lions – kept up the good work against a youthful Shawbury side to set the early pace in the division.

After a tight start, Scott Bright opened the scoring on the half hour when getting on the end of a Gaz Windsor corner, and Graham Dyke soon made it 2-0 on the stroke of half time with a hard, low drive from edge of box after being set up by new winger Stu Johnson.

The second half saw the Town have much more possession and soon Bright snatched

his second goal after some great work again from Windsor down the left.

Dyke then completed the scoring when rising above the Shawbury defence to head into the far corner from a terrific inswinging free kick from Joe Evans on the right.

It was another solid performance from Town with the Shawbury keeper having a fine game to stop both Bright and Dyke securing hat-tricks.

Manager Nick Maguire was pleased with some great performances including a solid show from centre back Rob Shone and keeper Broc Dawson, while Spanish starlet Ricardo Galan also came off the bench to dazzle with his skill and pace.

On Saturday, Town travel away to Brown Clee hoping to continue their early season form.

A few days before, FC Oswestry Town

took the local bragging rights as they overcame fellow newcomers Oswestry Villa 2-1 at Park Hall.

Villa entered the game in high spirits but left with heads down after one of the poorest performance since the club was founded.

Town, who had enough chances to have emerged more emphatic winners, started the brighter as they moved the ball around well on the slick Venue pitch.

Upright

They went close when Bright rattled the inside of the post, but they were not to be denied just moments later when captain Ollie Jones smashed home from close range.

The hosts dominated the first half but were denied further goals as Ben Williams and Bright both struck the upright as wingers Johnson and Graeme Kirkham caused the Villa back line all sorts of prob-

lems. The Villa, looking all at sea, were glad to see the half time whistle, and the appearance of Steve Tomkins and Zak Manhire added more bite to the visitors after the break without really testing goal keeper Dawson.

However, their renewed efforts were rewarded when, midway through the second half, striker Dave Hartshorn pounced on a weak back pass to round Dawson a slot the ball in to an empty net.

The score did not remain level for long as winger Johnson's pace and skill enabled him to squirm in to the box to set up Bright to lash home the winner.

OSWESTRY VILLA reserves are still looking for their first points in division two after going down 5-1 against AFC Wellington, following on from their narrow 3-2 home loss to Shrewsbury United reserves.

Guilsfield go down fighting against classy Conwy side

GUILSFIELD'S new boss Matt Burton got off to a losing start in the Huws Gray Cymru Alliance as his battling side succumbed 2-0 at home to fancied Conwy Borough in their first action of the season.

Former Shrewsbury defender Darren Moss made the breakthrough midway through the second half before Alan Bull sealed the points nine minutes from time as Conwy showed their early credentials in blustery conditions.

Guilsfield's task against a big spending Conwy side managed by former Welshpool boss Chris Herbert was made all the harder as they were disrupted by a number of absentees.

However, despite being on the back foot, they managed to increasingly frustrate the Coast side through a combination of stout defence and outstanding keeping from Dave Littleford.

Although keeper Louis Mackin was forced into one fine save for Conwy at the other end, the visitors looked the more likely to find the net.

And they finally breached the home rearguard in the 64th minute when Moss popped up in the box to meet Steve Cunningham's pass and fire past Littleford.

The Tangerines continued to push and sealed the win as former Bangor hitman Bull waltzed past a couple of defenders and tucked the ball under Littleford after a defensive mix-up.

On this evidence, Conwy will certainly going to be near the top of the table next April.

But Guilsfield boss Burton can take plenty of encouragement from his side's first match in terms of team spirit and application

FOOTBALL
by John Bridgwater

as he prepares for Saturday's trip to Penrhyncoch.

LLANRHAEDR, who have lived to fight another season in the Cymru Alliance, opened with a 2-0 loss in a windswept affair at Holyhead Hotspur.

The villagers battled hard in the gale after being forced into a defensive reshuffle with both centre halves missing.

Despite this, they more than held their own in the first half with Mike Jordan and Iwan Matthews both denied by the home keeper as they broke through on goal.

However, it was Holyhead who took the lead through Dion Evans on the stroke of half time and, although Josh Wood scraped the post for the visitors with a 25-yarder in the second period, Jay Gibbs sealed the Anglesey side's win 15 minutes from time.

"The lads were a bit flat before the game as we had to make a lot of changes at the back, but they were superb and could take a lot of confidence from the performance," said manager Mario Iaquinta whose side host Flint on Saturday.

With Rob Fox and Emyr Roberts both missing, Dan Kelly and George Hughes took over the responsibilities in the heart of the defence while Mark Griffiths filled in at left back and Joe Vaughan on the right.

But the makeshift defence held watertight in the rain, although the visitors were disappointed to concede on the stroke of half time – a problem that persisted last term.

Foul

Caersws were left to rue missed chances played out a 0-0 draw with league newcomers Caernarfon Town at the Recreation Ground, with Iwan Lewis, Mark Griffiths and Neil Mitchell all off target.

Newly promoted Llanidloes Town went down 2-0 at Flint, who took the spoils with an early header from ex-TNS forward Craig Whitfield (7) before making the point safe through Lee Davey (73).

Rhayader Town succumbed 4-0 to top-season title favourites Cefn Druids at the Weirglod.

Two first half goals from former Newtown forward Steve Blenkinsop on 27 and 38 minutes put the Ancients on course, before ex-Aberystwyth defender Gavin Cadwallader made the game safe eight minutes from time.

Ryan Jones completed the tally with a harshly awarded penalty for a foul moments later.

Legia Warsaw punished over chants at TNS ties



Some of the Legia Warsaw fans during the first round tie at Park Hall

LEGIA Warsaw have been fined 30,000 euros (£25,700) and ordered a partial stadium closure for their next European home game because of racist behaviour from supporters during the Champions League tie with The New Saints.

The UEFA sanction relates to incidents during matches with the Welsh Premier champions on July 17 and 24 and will be imposed during Legia's play-off against Steaua Bucharest.

Legia, the Polish champions, won the tie with The New Saints 4-1 on aggregate in the second qualifying round and then defeated Norwegian side Molde in the next round to book a play-off meeting with Romanian club Steaua.

For the second leg on August 27, Legia have been ordered to close the north stand of their Stadion Wojska Polskiego.

● Venues for the matches between TNS and Bala Town later this season have been switched.

The Saints were set to face Bala at home on Saturday, September, 7 and make the return trip to the Lakesiders on Friday, December 20.

However, the games have been switched with Craig Harrison's side now travelling away in September before

taking on Bala at the Park Hall stadium five days before Christmas.

● The Derwen New Saints have entered the Ability Counts, Three Counties Adult Male football league with their first fixture on Sunday, September 29 at AFC Telford.

● The New Saints Academy are searching for a goalkeeper to join the under 10s for the forthcoming season.

The keeper will need to be aged nine prior to August, 31 to become eligible and if currently playing in a local youth league, then the club would be very interested in hearing from them with regards to joining the Welsh champions.

For further details, contact Scott Ruscoe (head of youth development) on 07811-286439 or 01691-684840.

● TNS under-14s went down 7-2 to Wrexham Schoolboys, with their replies coming from Ricky Williams and James Lloyd.

It was a better day for the club's under-16s who swamped Coedpoeth 18-0 with hat-tricks from Ross Tyler, Harrison Millington and Lewis Evans, while George Minshall, Joe Walsh and Ryan Tyrer all scored twice. Other goals came from Matt Bainbridge, Steve Roberts and Greg Evans.

Youth policy paying off for Rangers with victory

ELLESMERE RANGERS director of football Alan Davis has insisted their youth policy is paying off after they knocked Gornal out of the FA Cup.

Rangers won 2-1 in the extra preliminary round on Saturday despite failing to produce their best football.

Sean Jennings and Steve O'Reilly's penalty won it, despite hosts Gornal pulling a goal back 10 minutes from time.

Davis said: "It keeps us going and the money side of it is good. We are not trying to kid ourselves, we have gone with a young squad and it's going to take time and games and we're going to get beaten because we're young."

"But it's a policy we've got and we're going to bring our young under-18s through, they've done well so far."

Jennings got the first after 10 minutes when he finished into the bottom corner from 18 yards after a neat move.

O'Reilly doubled the lead from the spot after substitute Dan Graham was brought down just minutes after replacing Josh Brown.

Davis added: "We did out-play them. The pitch didn't suit us well, the grass was long so didn't suit our football."

"We didn't play that well and I put it down to the grass. The ball wouldn't roll, it was holding up but it was a good performance even if we didn't play like we can."

Threadbare St Martins hammered

AFTER a promising start to the season, a depleted St Martins crashed 10-1 at Hereford side Lads Club in the West Midlands League division one.

The writing was on wall before kick off with the Saints travelling to the league new boys with a threadbare squad, with Karl Bailey playing despite injury and boss Ryan Butcher on the bench.

Despite conceding an early goal, they held firm after that before a flurry of goals late in the first half saw the visitors go into the interval 5-1 down, centre half Steve Pugh getting their reply.

With Bailey forced off at half time, the Saints battled hard after the break but were breached at regular intervals on a day they will want to forget.

They travel to Wem on Saturday, with keeper Jake Northwood still out with cricketing commitments, but they hope to have a number of last week's unavailable players back.

Injury-time penalty earns Rhyn a draw

AN injury time penalty from Chris Bishop earned Weston Rhyn their first point of the season in the Mercian Regional League premier division with a 3-3 home draw with local rivals Morda United.

Morda, who themselves won their first outing of the season a few days before with a last-gasp penalty of their own, led three times through Dean Graham (5), Paul Hughes (28) and Tom Coulson (73).

But Rhyn showed plenty of battling qualities to earn parity, Bishop (15) and Aaron Mancini (66) keeping them in the hunt before Bishop got his second of the night from the spot two minutes into injury time.

The game got off to the best possible start for Morda as Ian Heathcock's pace got him free to deliver the perfect cross to the back post where Graham had a simple finish.

Morda continued to look dangerous but the home side levelled a first time when Bishop found some space 25 yards from goal and chipped a fine effort into the net.

Buoyed by this reply, Rhyn upped the ante, but the visitors restored their advantage when Sam Litchfield, returning to his old club for the first time, burst from midfield and won a free kick 30 yards from goal. Paul Hughes stepped up and smashed his free kick into the far corner.

Weston Rhyn, managed by former Morda reserve player Matt Owen and including eight ex-Morda players, hit back again after

the interval, Mancini firing home after keeper Kieran Hunt had parried a cross against his own bar.

Despite this setback, the visitors restored their lead again when Coulson crashed home an unstoppable 30-yard shot.

Morda looked good for the win and defended well, with Hunt making a good save to tip a header over the bar but, in stoppage time, Elliot Howes was adjudged to have fouled in the box and Bishop smashed home the penalty.

Morda boss Craig Rogers felt there was little to choose between the two local sides who both played some good football.

Fixture

"Maybe Weston Rhyn has two more clear cut chances than us, but I felt we were in control of the game at all times," he said.

"We have conceded five goals this season and each one of them we could improve individually in our defending of the goals."

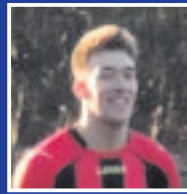
"A big positive is that we are getting goals from all over the pitch, and four points from the two first two games is a good return."

Morda United currently lie third in the premier division despite their fixture away to Wellington Amateurs Reserves being postponed at the weekend.

On Saturday, Rogers' side will be on their travels again when they look to maintain the unbeaten start at Ketley Bank United.

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Teams are looking to earn their first points

AFTER their opening day defeats, Guilsfield and Llanrhaeadr will both be chasing their first Huws Gray Cymru Alliance points of the season on Saturday.

The Guils succumbed 2-0 at home to fancied Conwy Borough in their season's opener, but new boss Matt Burton is in upbeat mood ahead of this weekend's trip to Penrhynoch.

"We've got a big enough squad but we were without six or seven lads on Saturday, one was suspended, a couple were injured and the others on holiday, so a couple of reserves helped me out," he said.

"Even so, there were plenty of positives and if Conwy are one of the best sides in the league, then there is no need to fear anyone."

LLANRHAEDR will also be hoping to get off the mark when they host Flint Town United on Saturday.

The villagers took four points off their rivals last term with a win and a draw, so manager Mario Iaquinta will be hoping for more of the same.

Despite last week's 2-0 loss at rainswept Holyhead Hotspur, Iaquinta was more than satisfied with the opening day performance.

"Holyhead finished fifth last season, are an improving team, so a lot of people thought we were going to get smashed," he said. "We had to shuffle our team with our two centre halves missing, but the lads were brilliant and came away with a lot of confidence."

Mark Griffiths made an excellent debut in his uncustomed role as left back while former Llansantffraid Village forward Iwan Matthews also impressed.

Llanrhaeadr still have selection problems with Rob Fox and Emyr Roberts both missing from the defence, so George Hughes and Dan Kelly are again likely to fill the breach.

United face a tricky tie

LLANFAIR UNITED face a tricky trip to Spar Mid Wales League rivals Builth Wells in the second qualifying round of the Welsh Cup.

Four Crosses and Waterloo Rovers are also on the road to Presteigne and Llandrindod Wells respectively, while Berriew are away to Llansantffraid Village.

Montgomery Town head to Machynlleth, while Welshpool are at home to Tywyn Bryncreg. The ties will be played over the weekend of September 13-15.

Skipper wants weekend double

HIGH flying Oswestry aim to maintain their promotion pursuit in the Birmingham Cricket League division two when they embark on a Bank Holiday double.

First up, the league leaders face their longest journey of the season to Herefordshire club Easton on Saturday before heading to promotion rivals Stourbridge on Monday.

And victories in those two games would put the Morda Road men needing just one win from their remaining three outings to secure promotion – and a possible title.

"Whether you're at the top or bottom, August Bank Holiday can make or break your season," said Oswestry captain Mark Robinson who hopes to field an unchanged line-up.

"After the start we had, with three defeats in the first four games, to be in this position now has been a brilliant effort."

Despite being frustrated by the wet weather last week that saw their clash against Coventry and North Warwickshire abandoned half way, the Morda Road still remain well placed in pole position with five games remaining.

Innings

They had to settle for nine points from last week's action, and with second-placed Harborne winning, Robinson's side saw their lead cut to 23 points at the top.

However, the teams in third and fourth places, Old Elizabethans and Stourbridge, both lost to teams in the bottom three – which means Oswestry

now need 56 points from their last five games to be certain of promotion.

Warrick Fynn (79) dominated the early part of the Oswestry innings against Coventry and North Warwickshire, sharing a stand of 87 for the third wicket with Joe Carrasco (33).

But the real momentum came towards the end of the innings when Dean Suter cracked 56no – becoming the seventh batsman to pass a half century this term – and Ryan Fynn 37 as Oswestry smashed 110 runs of their last 10 overs.

Their efforts helped the hosts finish on 275-7 in their 50 overs but hopes of forcing victory in the straight "win or lose" affair were dashed when the heavens opened.

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Welshpool see a good batting display ruined by the weather

RAIN put a dampener on Welshpool's hopes of climbing to safety in the Shropshire Cricket League division one after their home clash with Lilleshall was abandoned.

It was a frustrating outcome for the Maesydre side who, having posted a challenging 200-4 off 50 overs, were well on top as they had reduced Lilleshall to 13-3 off 10 overs before steady rain forced an early end.

The result means that Welshpool now find themselves 14 points adrift in the bottom two after Powys rivals and rival relegation contenders Montgomery secured a shock win over high flying Much Wenlock.

At Maesydre, Pool found their form with the bat as Joe Birch finished 87 not out to lay the foundations, while fellow opener Dave Jones made 21. Lilleshall were reeling in reply, with their first three batsman

shot out for ducks with a wicket apiece for Tom Anderson and Sam Birch, along with a runout.

However, the weather had the final word, keeping Welshpool deep in the relegation mire with four games remaining. This Saturday, they face a must-win clash at home to rock bottom Condover.

MONTGOMERY, lying third from bottom, boosted their hopes of survival in division one with a surprising two wicket win over runaway leaders Much Wenlock.

Batting first, they compiled 176-7 in 50 overs, with Aaron Ruff-cock hitting 52 and Charlie Clinton 44, before dismissing their rivals for 174 in a tense finish. Richard Powell taking 5-42 Monty now bid to build on the timely victory when they head to lowly rivals Pontesbury on Saturday.

TNS OUT TO MAKE UP FOR LOST TIME

THE season may be late starting, but The New Saints aim to make up for lost time when they launch the defence of the Welsh Premier crown with two games in three days.

It has been a frustrating wait with the Welsh Premier league getting underway at least a week behind most other major leagues – and Saints director of football Carl Darlington admits it's not an ideal situation.

The champions start home to Port Talbot on Saturday (3.45pm) in front of the live S4C cameras, then visit Prestatyn on Bank Holiday Monday before heading to Aberystwyth Town the following Friday.

"It's not great starting a week behind the Premier League and two weeks behind the Championship as leagues should be starting around the same time, but the decision was made and we've just got to get on with it," said Darlington.

"After starting a week late, and not having had much competitive action, we now have three games in six days which is not ideal.

"But everyone's raring to go, there is a hunger to win the league for a third season in a row."

One player who won't be featuring until Christmas is central defender Steve Evans who continues his recovery from a ruptured Achilles during the summer. Meanwhile, Scott Quigley and Ryan Jones have joined Cefn Druids on season long loans, with the Saints having a 24 hour recall option



Out injured – Steve Evans on Quigley, while full back Luke Douglas has also made a temporary switch to Guilsfield.

Quigley spent time at Welsh Premier League side Carmarthen last season and has also featured for the TNS first team.

Jones spent time with the Druids last season and impressed by scoring 11 goals. Douglas, a versatile defender, has played at both Crewe and Wrexham before joining TNS.

● TNS under-16 girls have been crowned national futsal champions at the Birmingham International Futsal Arena after edging out Arnold Hill from the East Midlands on penalties in the final which had finished 1-1.

Bumper blow for fastest lap Ben

BEN Power recorded the fastest lap of the weekend as he continued his assault on the National Legends Car championship in front of the television cameras at Donington Park in Derbyshire.

Power, the Guilsfield-based racing driver, started the two-day event well, with fourth place in race one, and third in race two, after leading for five laps.

He then finished second in the final to be placed joint second overall on the day.

On Sunday, he tore through from the back of the grid to take fourth place in the first heat, setting a time that was never bettered.

In heat 2, he was leading until one lap from home, when he was disqualified because the rear bumper had come loose and was a potential hazard.

His excellent form continued in the final race, which saw him recover from an early setback to catch and pass the leader Dean Brace. Power led until the last corner, only to miss the victory by 0.006 seconds.

"It was a really eventful weekend," said Power, aged 23. "The results have moved me up to third in the championship, and the title race is still wide open."



Ben Power's rear bumper comes loose which led to disqualification while he was leading race two on Sunday at Donington Park in Derbyshire

The Donington Park races will be shown on Motors TV soon, and the series continues at Snetterton in Norfolk with another two-day meeting on Sunday and Monday (August 25-26). Last season was the best ever for the Welshpool and Oswestry-based

Guttercrest team. Power recorded his first race wins in Legends Cars, and for a while he was second in the championship behind long-time leader and now champion Lawrence Davey, from East Sussex.

Earlier this year, he won a live televised race at Mal-

lory Park circuit in Leicestershire.

The UK Legends series visits tracks around the UK, including famous circuits such as Brands Hatch. It features top drivers from around the UK and the continent, including several ex-world champions.

A winning start but boss warns his players

DESPITE a winning start to the season, Welshpool Town boss Russell Cadwallader is not getting too carried away.

A goal from Tom Reynolds five minutes before half time proved enough for an experienced Lilywhites side to open their season with a 1-0 win at Llansantffraid Village.

Cadwallader himself had to play in goal with young keeper Harry Wilkinson away, and he admits injury and unavailability will make it a tough first week that sees four games in 10 days.

"We showed some good quality," he said. "But it's early days, there's going to be no quick fix, and there will be ups and downs this season."

The games are coming thick and fast with Pool looking to maintain their winning start at Four Crosses last night (Wed).

On Saturday, they then take a makeshift side to Berriew before visiting Dyffryn Banw on Monday.

WATERLOO ROVERS were hoping to maintain their good start last night (Wed) at home to newly promoted Llanafrith United.

On Saturday, Llanafrith are again on the road to Tywyn Bryncreg, while Montgomery head to Bow Street and Four Crosses welcome Aberaeron. Elsewhere, Dyffryn Banw – looking for improved fortunes this term – travel to new boys Llandrindod Wells, while Llansantffraid host Builth Wells.



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